

# THE STIRLING NEWS-ARGUS.

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## THE STORE That Satisfies

STIRLING, JAN. 18th, 1912.

Dear Sir,

FRED. T. WARD would like the pleasure of your company at his annual Money Saving Sale, commencing Jan. 17th, to Jan. 27th. The bill of fare will be all you can desire, but we can only mention a few of the courses here that will be served:

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20% off Overcoats, example, \$12.00 worth for \$9.60.

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THE MEN'S MAN.

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If you want a Coat do not fail to see our lines. Prices below cost. Newest cuts and materials. Come early while we have your size.

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We have the most complete showing of new Flouncings, Embroideries, Corset Covers, Insertions, Galoons, etc. By careful purchasing we are able to offer these 20 to 50 per cent. lower than ever before. Secure these now and get best choice.

## NOTICE!

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## Union Bank of Canada

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London, England Office,  
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London Branch: F. W. ASHE, Manager.  
G. M. C. HART-SMITH, Assistant-Manager.

### County Council

The first meeting of the Hastings County Council for 1912 was held at Belleville last week.

The first business was the election of Warden, and Mr. Denis Hanley, Reeve of Tyendinaga was unanimously chosen for that honorable position.

In his address the Warden said: During the past year, the county had made a departure in the matter of building concrete bridges, which meant a saving of \$2,400 in the work, because it was done by the county instead of by the letting of contracts to bridge building firms. This more than saved the cost of the concrete mixer and purchased some of the material. Undoubtedly this success would continue. In 1912 the county does not intend doing so much bridge building; being thus relieved for some time from such deplorable accidents as those of 1910.

Referring to county roads, he said there were 500 or 600 miles of them in Hastings. It is of the utmost importance to place our claims upon the Federal Provincial Government. No county was fixed like Hastings, and Prince Edward county bridges cost less than Frankford bridge. There are only 24 in Lennox while in Hastings there are over 300. It is intended to send a deputation to Ottawa to urge federal aid, so that Hastings may get a share of the assistance. The government is more likely to grant aid to those who present their claims than to those who neglect to do so.

A great many other matters would be dealt with during the session. Contracts for bridges should be let as early as possible.

### WEDNESDAY'S SESSIONS

A report was read from Dr. R. W. Bruce Smith, Inspector of Prisons, as to the House of Refuge. It has no superior in Ontario in point of management. Sidewalk and street lights were recommended. The low salary of the superintendent and matron were noted.

P. J. O'Rourke, on behalf of Jessie Wannamaker, presented a claim of \$10 damages to a buggy at Glen Miller bridge over the Trent canal.

A similar claim from Mr. Wallace Brown for damages by a horse's injury, resulting in its death was presented.

Mr. Ketcheson said the engineers on the bridge were reporting to the Government, and were received and filed. The letters were received and filed. A Paper Company wrote for authority to carry wires across the Frankford bridge. They were given consent on condition that they assume all responsibility.

A petition was received to have the Frankford bridge properly lighted for the protection of the travelling public. Mr. Ketcheson spoke in favor of granting the prayer of the petition.

Mr. Vermilyea thought it was a purely local matter. If the county wants to light this bridge it should light all the others.

Messrs. A. S. White and P. McLaren spoke on this question.

Mr. Shaw spoke of Tweed's similar condition. No action was taken.

An appeal was read from the Sick Children's Hospital, Toronto. It was referred to ways and means committee.

As the entrance examinations to the high schools begin on June 19th, Mr. H. J. Clarke asked that accommodation be provided. The Junior diploma examination begins on June 17th, and the senior on June 19th. This latter is practically restoring the old "Intermediate." The matter was referred to Inspector Clarke and Treasurer Malory.

Mr. McIntosh, District representative of Stirling, spoke on request, on the question of a prize fruit exhibit. There are 11,000 acres of fruit in Hastings according to orchard surveys made by the township assessors. An orchard owner has recently asked \$500 per acre for 30 acres. Prince Edward, Northumberland, Durham, are all making grants, the contribution from the government being \$50 in each case, and free expressage. He also spoke on the short course at Stirling. Fifty young men are enrolled in the short course at Stirling High School, perhaps the largest class in the province.

Mr. A. S. White asked what his idea of a grant was.

Mr. McIntosh said that Northumberland and Durham together granted \$300. A couple of hundred dollars would be a reasonable grant as a result of which a fine exhibit could be made.

Mr. Ketcheson asked that the matter be referred to ways and means. He urged scientific methods in Agriculture. Fruit growing is perhaps the best industry of Hastings.

Mr. A. S. White asked if Hastings could not be united in association with Northumberland and Durham.

Mr. McIntosh said that whatever was done would be by a grant. The other counties look for a contribution from any county entering the association.

The question was referred to ways and means.

A letter was read from the Grand Trunk, re the obstruction under the Moira lake bridge. The railway would give \$300, the county to do the repairing of the road.

Mr. T. Munson said the Grand Trunk originally was to pay \$300, put up a railing on both sides, put down a large 8-inch pipe, and the county was to put the road in shape. The present letter did not contain the full agreement.—Referred to chairman of roads and Reeve of Huntingdon.

### THURSDAY'S SESSIONS

Mr. McLean, of the Provincial Government engineering service, addressed the Council on the question of highway construction. The comparison of the systems in vogue to-day and half a century ago was made.

Grade, drain, tile and stone roads. In no county in Ontario is there such a serious situation as in Hastings, where there are so many county roads. The result is that these out-of-the-way county roads receive assistance from neither the county nor the townships. A county road, to be a county road, ought to be macadamised. He asked that a representative committee be appointed to confer with himself regarding organization. A great part of the work done is not in harmony with the spirit of the Act because some of the roads are not constructed with that permanency expected.

Mr. Vermilyea said the county had spent \$1,500,000 at a period antecedent to that when the government began to aid. No one denies that the roads are not up to the standard. Would it not be relieving the government of some of its burden, which it should necessarily bear, if some of the county roads were handed back to the municipalities? The great question has been lack of funds.

Mr. McLean, in answer, said Mr. Vermilyea had misunderstood him. He did not mean to return roads, but to so organize roads as to concentrate the expenditure as to make the main trunk roads most used.

Mr. Vermilyea said he meant both east and west and north and south roads.

Mr. Newton held the same sentiments as Mr. McLean. He quoted the instance of the Belleville-Tweed road, which was in fine state. Very little repairs would be necessary.

Mr. Ketcheson said Sidney alone had tried to commute statute labor. He knew of some township roads better than county roads.

His honor told Mr. McLean that his views would likely be carried out.

Mr. Vermilyea thought that the matter should be first discussed before a committee was appointed.

A vote of thanks to Mr. McLean carried.

Mr. Robert Cook, M.P.P., a former member of the county council, said the government was not lamenting expenses, but was willing to give more generously as long as the suggestions as to permanency were carried out.

Mr. McNamara, of Madoc township, related the accident near Tweed in December. As the result of the flooding of the road, his horse was killed. The horse is still "laid up."

Mr. Vermilyea moved, seconded by Mr. Coulter, that the Council notify the Electric Co. at Tweed that the overflow from its dam has caused damage to the county road and to county citizens, and that the Electric Co. will be held responsible for any damages. Carried.

Mr. Clarke moved, seconded by Mr. E. Hawkins, that the Special Bridges committee be discontinued and that the expenditure on bridges be continued under the road and bridges chairman and with the association of the reeves of the townships. Carried.

Mr. Clarke said the special committee cost the county \$1,515 last year.

Mr. Vermilyea told of the work of the committee. The work last year was largely experimental. Not a cent was misappropriated.

The Board of management of the House of Refuge report was read, received and filed.

There were 9 deaths, (absconded, 1 deaf, dumb, and blind; 2 discharged; 73 average number of inmates; 79 on Dec. 31st, 1911. The inmates were sent in as follows:—6 Sidney, 12 Thurlow, 9 Tyendinaga, 4 Rawdon, 9 Huntingdon, 6 Hungerford, 5 Marmora tp., 6 Madoc tp., 2 Elzevir, 1 Faraday, 2 Duncannon, 2 Mayo, 1 Herschel, 1 Carlow, 5 Deseronto, 4 Stirling, 1 Madoc village, 2 Tweed, 1 Bancroft. Total 79. There were 85,155 meals served. The produce of the farm amounted to \$2,271.09. The expenditure at the house was \$6,734.55, and the farm produce delivered at the house was \$1,383.83. This made a total of \$8,121.41. Deducting sales, and the amount received from paying patients, the net cost of the refuge was \$7,165.08.

Dr. Clinton's report was filed.

Mr. Ketcheson moved that the county assume the Public School diploma examinations.—Referred to ways and means.

Mr. P. P. Clark gave notice of a by-law.—That a committee of this county consisting of the reeves of Sidney, Huntingdon, Hungerford, Elzevir, Madoc tp., and Stirling, and the deputy reeves of Tyendinaga, Thurlow and Rawdon, together with the reeves of all the municipalities north of Madoc and Elzevir be appointed to discuss the question of the roads and bridges in the northern municipalities from the view to 12 hours, their condition, and to lessen the burden of the county as a whole, and that the said committee make such suggestions and recommendations to this council as to them seems in the interests of this county at large, and that the reeve of Sidney be the chairman of this large and important committee.

Messrs. W. B. Deacon, president, John Elliott, vice-president, and Col. Ponton, sec. of the Belleville Board of Trade, and Mr. A. Moore, president of the Belleville Cheese Board, composing a deputation appeared before the council and at the Warden's solicitation spoke on the question of publicity.

Several members of the deputation presented their view on this matter, but space forbids quoting at length.

Col. W. N. Ponton admitted that the dairy industry was the greatest in Hastings, but he had also taken up the immigration question with the department. He had now 75 views representative of cheese making. The government is assisting. A grant and co-operation was what was needed.

President Alexander Moore of the Belleville Board said that Canadian cheese was preferable to English cheddar cheese. There is turned over \$50,000 worth of cheese on the Belleville board weekly. The plan is to advertise the cheese of the Belleville district in England.

After some discussion in Council, Mr. Coulter moved, seconded by Mr. McLaren, that the council place itself

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## STERLING HALL

### Stock Taking Clearance Sale!

For the balance of January we will continue to offer all Winter Goods and odd lines at great price reductions. Get busy for a final rush at our Furs, Fur Robes, Carpets, Blankets, etc., etc.

### A MID-WINTER CLEARANCE OF SAXONY COMFORTERS AND BLANKETS

Saxony Comforters in Pink, Blue and Cardinal, fancy effects, good value for \$2.00, going for.....\$1.59  
Saxony Wool Blankets, silk bound, value for \$3.00, going for.....\$2.19

### WARM WINTER FURS AGAIN REDUCED!

All STOLE, THROWS, MUFFS, AND CAPERINES in Sable, Sable Opposum, Marmot, etc., etc., will now be offered at a reduction of 25% from our usually Low Prices.

### LADIES' FUR-LINED COATS

We still have a goodly lot of bargains in these lines at from \$29.00 to \$52.50. Several styles and qualities to choose from.

### MEN'S WARM WEAR FOR WINTER

HEAVY DUCK COATS, with large Corduroy Collars and Kersey lining, storm proof, regular values \$4.00 and \$4.50, all sizes, your choice at.....\$3.23

### DRESS GOODS REMNANT SALE

All Remnants of Dress Goods have been laid out to be sold at 1/2 regular price. These comprise all kinds and colors in Waist, Skirt and Dress lengths. Splendid opportunity to secure just what you want. See them.

**W. B. M. LIMITED**

### Madoc Junction Items

Mr. and Mrs. Phil Carr, of Lindsay, are visiting relatives and friends here.

Dame Rumer says a wedding. Last Wednesday evening about fifty people invaded the home of Mr. and Mrs. McMullen laden with oysters and refreshments. A congratulatory address was read and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. McMullen were presented with two parlor chairs and Mrs. Wm. McMullen with a linen table cloth. Mr. McMullen made an appropriate reply. After a number of addresses, games and songs, a supper was served to which all did justice, it being after midnight being all could be served.

Tuesday evening another pleasing function took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Fitchett, when they entertained a number of friends, oysters being served from 7 to 9 o'clock, after which a programme, arranged by Miss Hugo and Miss Barker, was pronounced one of the best yet.

There will be a missionary debate at West Huntingdon on Friday evening, Feb. 2nd. A load will leave here early in the evening, all being well.

Mr. Will Eggleton expects to return to the west in a few days after spending a pleasant time with his mother and friends here. We hear Will is making good in the west and the girls know it.

Little Jean Eggleton was taken to Toronto General Hospital on Saturday.

Mrs. (Rev.) W. J. Barker and Miss Barker received a few callers on Wednesday. Mrs. Barker is still very weak.

Cottage prayer meeting was crowded on Monday, the 2nd.

Rev. E. A. Tonkin took charge of the meeting on Thursday night last week.

This is the season of the year when mothers feel very much concerned over the frequent colds contracted by their children, and have abundant reason for it, as every cold weakens the lungs, lowers the vitality, and paves the way for the more serious diseases which so often follow. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is famous for its cures, and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by all dealers.

The History of "Stepmother."  
"Stepmother" is a word with a commonly unsuspected history. Probably most people if called upon to explain it would say that it meant a woman who had stepped into the place of the true mother. Dr. Johnson, at any rate, believed that this was the suggestion of the word to most minds. Really, the original meaning of which appears to have been "orphane." Stepchild, step-brother, stepson and stepdaughter came first, and then by gradual fading of the etymological meaning of "step" stepfather and stepmother came into being.—London Chronicle.

## Bank of Montreal

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H. R. BOULTON,  
Manager.







# KING AND QUEEN WELCOMED

## Malta Was En Fete to Greet Their Majesties on Arrival

A despatch from Malta says: King George and Queen Mary landed here on Wednesday, and were given an enthusiastic welcome. The picturesque harbor of La Valletta, formerly held by the Knights of St. John as the most easterly bulwark of Christendom in the Mediterranean, was gallantly decorated, and the British fleet thundered a Royal salute. The King and Queen were received in state by General Sir Ian S. Hamilton, commander-in-chief of the Mediterranean department; Chief Justice Sir J. Carbone, members of the Legislative Council, and a crowd of nobles. A drive through troop-lined streets to Government House was followed by a reception, at which most of the Maltese officials and noblemen were presented to the King and Queen. Although many of the Maltese are closely related to the Italians, they hate their neighbors, and much prefer self-government under British rule. Therefore, the reception accorded their Majesties was one of the most enthusiastic they have received since they left England. Beside the British Mediterranean fleet, which was present in virtually full strength, a squadron of French warships, under the command of Admiral Boue de Lapeyriere, joined in the greeting, thus marking the existing friendship between Great Britain and France. The City of Valletta is thronged with British and French visitors, who have come especially to participate in the festivities.

### AEROPLANE SAVES ITALIANS.

#### Determined Attack by Turks—Heavy Italian Losses.

A despatch from Gabes, Tunis, says: Details of the engagement between the Turks and Arabs and an Italian column near Ghirgarish, a small oasis about ten miles along the coast from Tripoli, on January 19, have reached here, and show that at the time of the fighting the Italian destroyers had temporarily withdrawn. Boats laden with contraband approached the shore and opened a heavy fire on the Italian forces. At the same time 1,000 Turkish regulars at Ainara prepared to attack the Italians from the rear. The Italians would inevitably have been annihilated if by chance an aeroplane, coming out to try its motor, had not been seen by the Turks, who became so alarmed that they were unable to carry out the turning movement. They kept up their firing, however, until nightfall. The Italians lost fifty killed and thirty wounded.

### DARING BANK ROBBERY.

#### Branch of Royal Bank of Vancouver is Held Up.

A despatch from Vancouver says: The Royal Bank of Canada branch, at the corner of Main street and Seventeenth avenue, was literally cleaned out of all its cash by two robbers at 11 o'clock on Friday morning, and Ledger-keeper Harrison was knocked unconscious for resisting the hold-up. The amount of loot secured by the robbers is unknown, because A. A. Steeves, Manager of the branch, refuses to make a statement. It is, however, estimated that between \$1,000 and \$5,000 was taken. Instead of going out the way they entered, the two men unlocked the back door and made their exit that way. Excellent descriptions of the robbers, one of whom was tall and the other short, were obtained.

### STRANGE PROVISION IN WILL

#### Income to Stand for One Hundred Years.

A despatch from Halifax, N.S., says: Jas. Cosman, a merchant of Meteghan River, Digby, N.S., died some time ago and left an estate of about \$500,000. After certain comparatively small legacies were paid the will provided that the capital should be invested and the income allowed to accumulate for 100 years. At the end of that time the accumulated funds, principal and interest, are to be divided, one-half going to charities in Ireland and the other half to build a hospital in every county in Nova Scotia. The will provided that the Archbishop of Halifax should appoint three trustees of the estate. His Grace has named Mayor J. A. Chisholm, of Halifax, Judge Wallace and T. W. Murphy. Cosman was a widower and had no children.

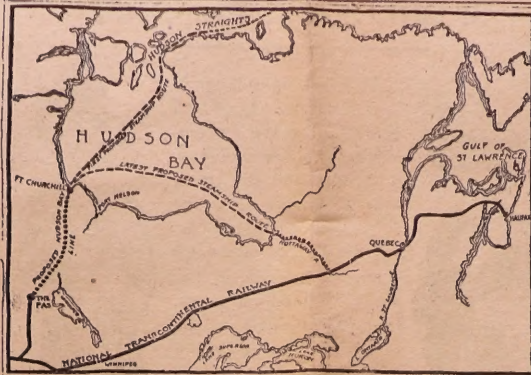
# QUEBEC HAS GOOD SURPLUS

## Budget Speech of Hon. Mr. Mackenzie Shows Encouraging Features

A despatch from Quebec says: At Thursday afternoon's session of the House, Hon. Mr. Mackenzie, Provincial Treasurer, delivered his annual Budget speech, which proved an interesting review of the financial state of the Province for the past year, with encouraging estimates for the coming twelve months. The ordinary receipts amounted to \$7,032,744, and the ordinary expenditures to \$6,126,824, making a surplus of \$905,920. But as there had been an additional extraordinary expenditure of \$299,005 the actual surplus was announced as being \$606,915. The Provincial Treasurer emphasized the increasing prosperity of Quebec, by which the Government was able to announce a sur-

plus of \$600,000, with provision for increased amounts for the cause of education, for the construction of iron bridges, for the abolition of toll gates, and for the large loan for the improvements of roads, which are to be built with the co-operation of the municipalities of the Province. For the past year it was shown that both the receipts and the expenditures had exceeded the estimates, the former by \$1,128,210, and the latter, ordinary and extraordinary, by \$716,909. Coming to the estimates for the year 1912-13, the hon. Minister estimated that the ordinary revenue would reach \$7,133,221, and he also estimated the ordinary and extraordinary expenditures at \$6,755,820.

### AN ALTERNATIVE HUDSON BAY ROUTE



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Hon Mr. Cochrane has announced that if the Hudson Straits prove impracticable as a grain route from Western Canada, owing to ice, that the grain may be carried from the terminal of the Hudson Bay Railway across James Bay to the Mattawa River, and thence to the National Transcontinental Railway, probably by a spur line. This would save 600 miles of railway haul. The map shows the proposed route and its alternative.

### STORY OF HEROISM.

#### Former Guelph Man Saved Several Lives, but Died Himself.

A despatch from Guelph says: Word has been received here that by fighting a pack of timber wolves single-handed all night long Harry E. Fennell, lately of Denver, Colo., but up to six years ago residing in Guelph, saved the lives of seven girls and the other men who were in a party and died as the result of the exposure he was forced to endure. Fennell's desperate fight with the wolves took place near Hudson Bay. He and a chum were trapping up near Hudson Bay and went to a party or dance that some half-breeds were giving. They were the only people near, and on the way home were given a ride with another man and some girls in a bobsleigh. It was late at night and they were chased by wolves. Mr. Fennell got out and got up a tree and told the others to run the horses to their cabin and he would fight the wolves. The others waited to stay, but he begged them to go on and not take any chances with the girls. They then went home, but could hear shots all night. Fennell killed nine wolves. The men went back at daylight and there was only the dead wolves. Fennell was so cold he could hardly walk, and died before they could get help, the nearest doctor being sixty miles away.

### MAD RUSH FOR GOLD.

#### Miniontas, Manitoba, is Now Overrun by Prospectors.

A despatch from Miniontas, Manitoba, says: One hundred more gold prospectors arrived on Thursday night from scattered points in the United States and Canada. Not much prospecting is doing, only a wild desire to stake regardless of location. The private car of Mr. R. J. Mackenzie, of the Canadian Northern, is here, with his mining expert from California and several others. They left at daybreak for the scene of action with the necessary equipment. Several are looking for residential and business sites, and the stampede is on in earnest, with all public buildings full of men, lying all night on floors like sardines. Excitement and crowds are increasing every hour.

### TO DISENDOW CHURCH.

#### Home Secretary Will Introduce Bill at Coming Session.

A despatch from London says: Addressing an enthusiastic meeting at Queen's Hall on Thursday night, Reginald McKenna, the Home Secretary, said that early in the coming session of Parliament he would introduce a bill for the disestablishment and disendowment of the Church in Wales. All the resources of the Government, he added, would be used to carry the measure into a law.

### FOR MURDER IN FRANCE.

#### Frenchman Arrested at Regina for Killing a Woman.

A despatch from Regina, Sask., says: Emile Oscar Pouquet, was arrested near here on a charge of murder committed near Paris, France, on January 9, 1910. It is alleged he murdered and mutilated Mrs. Guisienne Legrand, his friend's wife.

### IN HONOR OF HIS NAME DAY.

#### King Alfonso Donates \$5,000 to Poor and Remits Sentences.

A despatch from Madrid says: King Alfonso has celebrated his name day by donating \$5,000 for the poor and by remitting eight death sentences.

### A SOCIALIST LEADER



HERR BEBEL, leader of the German Socialists, who cut a wide swath in the recent general elections in Germany. They are rapidly gaining strength in the Reichstag.

### THE NEWS IN A PARAGRAPH

#### HAPPENINGS FROM ALL OVER THE GLOBE IN A NUTSHELL.

#### Canada, the Empire and the World in General Before Your Eyes.

### CANADA.

There are now seven cases of smallpox at Montreal.

York County Council proposed to tax autos for road improvement.

Sugar prices have been again reduced by ten cents throughout Ontario and at Winnipeg.

A Grimsby farmer said the price-of-food problem could be solved by the producer and retailer getting closer together.

Owen Sound hotel proprietors have decided to increase rates owing to the strict enforcement of the local option law.

Three foreigners were injured, one fatally, by drilling into an old charge on the Canadian Northern line near North Bay.

The Lake Erie Coal Company, it is said, has submitted an offer to the London City Council to electrify the Port Stanley Railway.

The William Davies Company have decided to close their Harrison pork-packing branch, but may use the building as a cold-storage.

A sufferer from an infectious disease is housed in an old shed in a cemetery near Brantford, the city having no place to keep him properly.

Peter Peterson of Cobalt was sentenced to ten years in penitentiary for writing a Black Hand letter to Manager Goodall of the Imperial Bank.

### GREAT BRITAIN.

Troops will be despatched to Belfast to preserve the peace between Unionists and Nationalists.

The tension in Belfast has been somewhat relieved by a change of venue for the Churchill home rule meeting.

Mr. Winston Churchill, while abandoning the Ulster Hall as a place of meeting, insists on his right to speak in the city of Belfast.

Resumption of hostilities in China seems inevitable.

France insists on the release of Turks taken by Italians on board French vessels.

# THE YEAR'S LABOR DISPUTES

## Department Returns Showing Loss of Time and Settlement Reached

A despatch from Ottawa says: Statistics issued by the Labor Department show that approximately 2,013,740 working days were lost by employees in Canada through trade disputes during the past year, as compared with the loss of approximately 718,745 days in 1910. There were approximately 28,218 employees involved, directly and indirectly, in trade disputes last year, compared with 19,594 during the preceding twelve months. The increase in the figures for last year was due largely to the coal miners' strike in Alberta and British Columbia, involving 7,000 men for nearly eight months. The only other large strikes were the coal miners' strike at Springhill, N. S., which was settled on May 22, and the strike of the building trades in Vancouver during June and July.

Of the ninety-eight strikes throughout the Dominion, which occurred last year, forty-two took place in the Province of Ontario and nineteen in the Province of Quebec. Demands for higher wages caused strikes in forty-two cases, while the question of wages in regard to threatened reductions, etc., also entered into twenty-one other disputes. The employers won in thirty-three of the strikes, and employees in twenty-three, while in nineteen cases a compromise was reached. In the other cases the settlement was indefinite or not reported. During the past ten years, out of a total of 1,079 trade disputes in Canada, the employers won 393 cases and the employees 380. In 244 cases the strike was settled by a compromise.

### PRICES OF FARM PRODUCTS

#### REPORTS FROM THE LEADING TRADE CENTRES OF AMERICA.

#### Prices of Cattle, Grain, Cheese and Other Produce at Home and Abroad.

#### BREADSTUFFS.

Flour—Winter wheat, 90 per cent, patents, \$3.60 to \$3.65 at seaboard. Manitoba flour—First patents, \$3.50; second patents, \$3; and strong bakers', \$3.40, on track, Toronto.

Manitoba wheat—No. 1 Northern, \$1.11-12; Bay ports; No. 2 Northern at \$1.08-12; and No. 3 at \$1.04-12, Bay ports.

Ontario wheat—No. 2 white, red and mixed, 92 to 93c, outside.

Peanut—Good shipping peas \$1.10 to \$1.15, outside.

Oats—Car lots of No. 2 Ontario quoted outside at \$1.20, and of No. 3 at \$1.12-12c; on track, Toronto, 45 to 46-12c.

No. 2 Western Canada oats, 49 to 49-12c, and No. 1 feed, 45-12 to 46c, Bay ports.

Barley—48 lbs. quoted at 92c to 95c, outside.

Corn—No. 3 American yellow, 71c, Toronto freight.

Rye—92c to \$1, outside.

Buckwheat—65 to 67c, outside.

Wheat—Manitoba, 49-12c, in bags, Toronto.

#### COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Apples—Winter stock, \$2.75 to \$3.50 per barrel.

Beans—Small lots of hand-picked, \$2.35 to \$2.40 per bushel.

Honey—Extracted, in tins, 11 to 12c per lb. Combs, \$2.50 to \$2.75.

Dried hay—No. 1 at \$15.50 to \$17, on track, and No. 2 at \$14 to \$15.

Baled straw—\$9 to \$9, on track, Toronto.

Potatoes—Car lots, in bags, quoted at \$1.50, and Delawares at \$1.60 to \$1.65. Out-of-store, \$1.65 to \$1.75.

Poultry—Wholesale prices of dressed poultry: Chickens, 14 to 16c, per lb; fowls, 10 to 12c; ducks, 15 to 16c; geese, 13 to 15c; turkeys, 20 to 21c. Live poultry about 2c lower than the above.

#### BUTTER, EGGS, CHEESE.

Butter—Dairy, choice, in wrappers, 22 to 26c; large rolls, 27 to 28c, and inferior, 18 to 19c. Creamery, 24 to 25c for rolls, and 32 to 33c for solids, per lb.

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Buckwheat—65 to 67c, outside.

Wheat—Manitoba, 49-12c, in bags, Toronto.

#### COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Apples—Winter stock, \$2.75 to \$3.50 per barrel.

Beans—Small lots of hand-picked, \$2.35 to \$2.40 per bushel.

Honey—Extracted, in tins, 11 to 12c per lb. Combs, \$2.50 to \$2.75.

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Baled straw—\$9 to \$9, on track, Toronto.

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Mr. Clark moved, seconded by A. Kirk, that the usual school grant of \$800 be given to the townships north of Marmora, Madoc and Elzevir, and the usual special grants amounting to \$200 be divided as follows:

No. 2 Faraday.....	\$20 00
No. 8 Herschel & Faraday.....	20 00
No. 6 Dunganon.....	20 00
No. 9 Montegle.....	20 00
No. 5 Mayo.....	20 00
No. 7 McClure.....	40 00
No. 9 Dunganon.....	20 00
No. 4 Mayo, No. 4 Wicklow.....	20 00

each on condition that it is kept open the whole school year of 1912; also \$800 special to Elzevir to be equally divided between the seven schools, and \$300 to the village of Tweed.—Carried.

An account of \$101.85 for maintenance of a consumptive young man in Rawdon. Similar cases from Madoc, Thurlow, and Tyendinaga, were quoted.

Mr. Montgomery said this was a special case. The statute should be changed so as to allow the admission of consumptives to the House of Refuge, otherwise an isolation hospital might have to be provided.

The motion to pay the account lost. Mr. Gunter moved, that each of the statutory grants of \$25 to each of the Teachers' Institute in North, Center, and South Hastings be read.—Carried.

Mr. Nugent moved, seconded by Mr. Fox, that Messrs. Hasey, Thompson, Ketcheson, Tummon, Naylor, and Gunter be deputation to meet Premier Borden on Feb. 8th to present the claims of Hastings county in the matter of good roads.—Carried.

FRIDAY'S SESSIONS

Mr. Wm. Mackintosh, Inspector of Public Schools for Centre Hastings, spoke on the matter of an increase in his allowance. He would like it increased for travelling expenses from \$218 to \$266 per year.—Referred to Ways and Means.

Mr. N. Vermilyea presented a report of the committee appointed to select standing committees.

"That Peter McLaren be chairman of the House of Refuge committee, and that Thos. Montgomery be the other member appointed by this council."

"That Thos. Montgomery, Alex. White, Wm. Farrell, N. Vermilyea and W. H. Nugent make the committee upon Finance and Public Property, and that Mr. Thompson be chairman."—Carried.

Mr. Ketcheson presented a report of the committee on roads and reforestation in the northern townships.

"That the usual grants on roads in the northern municipalities be the same for the year 1912 as they were in 1911, which shall be raised \$50, making a total for Herschel and Montegle of \$500, and except Bancroft village which shall be raised \$100, making a total for Bancroft village of \$400. These grants are given on the understanding that the townships take advantage of and pass by-laws under the Good Roads Act of the province of Ontario, and that Faraday set a special grant of \$50 on hills and Dunganon get a special grant of \$75 on bridges in Dunganon. The grants are:

Tudor and Cashel.....	\$300
Wollaston.....	300
Limerick.....	300
Faraday.....	300
Dunganon.....	300
Mayo.....	300
Montegle and Herschel.....	500
Carlow.....	300
Bancroft.....	400

Moved by Clark, seconded by Sills, that the reforestation scheme of Hastings be continued.

A by-law was read authorizing the council to purchase certain lands in Elzevir and Grimsthorpe for the purpose of reforestation at a cost of \$200. A communication was read from Hon. James Duff, Minister of Agriculture, approving of the by-law.

A by-law was read to appoint High School Trustees. The names filled in were: Stirling, W. R. Mather, Madoc, W. H. Brooks, Desonto, Dr. Vandervoort, Trenton, W. Hyde.

Mr. Ketcheson moved, seconded by Mr. McLaren, "That this council grant to the Belleville Board of Trade the sum of \$100, the limit allowed by the Municipal Act for the agricultural and industrial interests of the county of Hastings and the city of Belleville, on condition that the city of Belleville grants the sum of \$200 or more."

Mr. Hanley moved seconded by Mr. White, "That the usual grant of \$25 be given to East, West, and North Hastings Farmers' Institutes and Women's Institute."

Mr. Shaw moved, seconded by Mr. J. A. Moore, "That the Reforestation Committee be continued a standing committee, and that the members for the committee for the year 1912 be as follows:—W. E. Tummon, chairman; P. F. Clarke, Charles Ketcheson, J. G. Sills, R. P. Coulter, P. McLaren, and Simeon Fox.—Carried."

Mr. Vermilyea moved that the council go into committee of the whole to select county roads to which attention should be devoted for the next few years for the purpose of perfecting the prominent highways.—Carried.

Roads adopted as the government and county approved roads were the four north and south roads—Belleville to Queensboro, by way of Tweed (33 miles);

Belleville to Five-Mile-Turn, in Tudor, by way of Madoc, (45 miles); Foxboro to end of system in Marmora Township, (34 miles); Belleville to Frankford by way of Wallbridge (15 miles).

The committee of the whole reported to the committee appointed to meet the government engineer Mr. McLean.

Mr. Thompson moved, seconded by

Mr. Fox, "That Messrs. Tummon, Ketcheson, Vermilyea, Kirk, Hubbell, Newton Gunter, and Coulter, be a committee to confer with the government engineer on roads.—Carried."

Warden Hanley moved, seconded by Mr. White, "That Messrs. Ketcheson, Vermilyea, and the Clerk, be a committee to meet with the Belleville Board of Trade as to the best plan to advertise this district in the country.—Carried."

The Ways and Means committee reported making several recommendations, among others, "That no action be taken re the request of Mr. McIntosh, district agricultural representative, re fruit exhibit at Toronto."

That Public School Inspector Mackintosh be paid \$200 each year for expenses instead of the amount heretofore allowed."

The several by-laws were read a third time and passed.

Moved by Mr. Tummon, seconded by Mr. Lancaster, "That the amount of money to be expended on bridges in 1912 and the opening and letting of tenders be in the hands of the road superintendent and chairman of roads, and finance committee.—Carried."

Moved by Mr. Ketcheson, seconded by Mr. Montgomery, "That the arrangement as to fees for the engineer in connection with the bridges to be built in 1912 be left with the finance and public property committee and chairman of roads.—Carried."

Council adjourned until Tuesday, June 18th.

At Maynooth, on Tuesday, August Dubblestein, of Bangor, for an infraction of the game laws, was fined \$20 and the witness fees. The charge against H. J. Hoare was dismissed.

Dubblestein was one of a party of eight who killed nine deer during the hunting season. Capt. Hunter, of Belleville, prosecuted, and Mr. W. Farnham appeared for the accused.—Bancroft Times.

Hastings is the first county to undertake reforestation of waste lands under the terms of the legislation of the last session of the Legislature. Hastings county council submitted to the Minister of Agriculture its by-law to undertake the work and asked Hon. Mr. Duff's approval as the statute provides.

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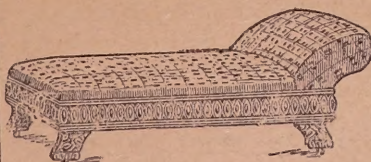
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Forestry Convention

Mr. Gifford Pinchot President of the American Conservation Association, and formerly Chief Forester of the United States, is to be the chief speaker at the Canadian Forestry Convention at Ottawa, Feb. 7th and 8th. This gathering, in which the Government shows its interest by allowing it to be held in the Railway Committee Room of the Parliament Buildings, and to the delegates of which the railways have granted special rates, will be one of the most important of this nature ever held in

Canada. It will be attended by cabinet Ministers, Parliamentary leaders, bankers, manufacturers, lumbermen, forest administrators, heads of universities, and by representatives of that new profession, forest engineers. The leading men interested in forestry in Canada, and many from the United States will attend, and the subject discussed will be how to get the most out of Canada's forests to-day, while leaving them in the best shape for future production. The social function will be a banquet on Feb. 7th, which, leading men from all over Canada have signified their intention of attending. The Seed Growers' Association meet in the same week, so that delegates to the Forestry Convention can take in the most important sessions of that body if they so desire.

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"Do you mean John H. Good, the wealthy farmer, or young Sam Good, the Socialist millionaire?"—Exchange.

Spoke From Experience.  
Willie Good—I'm, our teacher says that "collect" and "congregate" mean the same thing. Rev. Mr. Good—Well, you tell your teacher, my boy, that you have information that there is considerable difference between a congregation and a collection.—Liverpool Mercury.

A Monumental Majority.  
If one could get the vote of those who feel worse the day after a holiday than they did the day before they probably could be elected.—Achtissu Globe.

Men grumble because God puts thorns on roses. Would it not be better to thank God that He has put roses on thorns?—Aton.

Sure Thing.  
"Suppose your father gave your mother \$5 and then took \$3 back what would that make? Willie—Trouble.—London Answers.



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**PERSONALS.**

Mrs. Robt. Green is visiting her daughter in Oshawa.

Mr. A. Green, who has been in Winnipeg for some time, is at home.

Misses Lizzie and Laura Caldwell are visiting their sister, Mrs. D. Turner, in Lindsay.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Fraser and son, of Emerson, Man., are visiting her sister, Mrs. Chas. Morrow, River Valley.

**Boston's Winter and Summer.**  
Nearly all visitors to Boston, if they do not see it, are told of the place where one may "step from Winter into Summer or from Summer into Winter at any time of the year without giving a thought to his clothing." This may be done at the point where Washington street intersects the street which is "Winter" on one side and "Summer" on the other. A guide was enlarging on this bit of humor to a visitor from New York a few days ago, but was not rewarded by the smile which the Winter and Summer joke usually calls forth. "That's nothing," said the New Yorker, "but what is really funny here is to see the entrance to the underground railway marked 'The Elevator.'"—New York Tribune.

**The Church Cough.**  
Of all coughs the church cough is the most difficult to check, and it is almost as contagious as yawning. The late Mr. Hawes practically cured his Marybone congregation of coughing during the service. He used to announce an interval for coughing with a polite request to those who found this insufficient to go outside. There is a somewhat similar practice in the Russian army—the nose blowing drill—which is performed by the whole regiment at a signal from the colonel. And no soldier dares sneeze at any other time.—London Spectator.

**The Old Order Passeth.**  
What has become of the old fashioned man who was about to solve the problem of perpetual motion?  
And where is the old fashioned woman who wore gloves that reached only halfway to the end of her fingers?  
Can anybody furnish information concerning the whereabouts of the old fashioned boy who wore mittens which were fastened to a long string?—Chicago Record Herald.

**Considerate.**  
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**Diligence, above all, is the mother of good luck.**—Samuel Smiles.

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**RAILWAY TIME TABLE.**  
Trains call at Stirling station as follows:—  
GOING WEST. GOING EAST.  
Mail & Ex. 6.03 a. m. Passenger 10.37 a. m.  
Passenger 8.45 p. m. Mail & Ex. 8.41 p. m.

**The Stirling News-Argus.**  
THURSDAY, FEB. 1, 1912

**LOCAL MATTERS.**

A communication re the bread question is unavoidably crowded out of this issue.

Rev. J. D. P. Knox will preach in Bridge Street Methodist Church, Belleville on Sunday next.

On Monday night fire destroyed the Opera House at Trenton, also a grain storehouse and a steam laundry.

The Masquerade Carnival last night was a great success. A large crowd was present. A fuller account next week.

Stirling L. O. L. No. 110 will give an "At Home" to invited guests at the Opera House on Friday evening, Feb. 9th.

Great preparations have been made for the High School concert in the Opera House to-morrow evening, Feb. 2nd. Do not miss it.

Application has been made to the Dominion Parliament for leave to remove the head office of the Union Bank from the city of Quebec to Winnipeg.

A Box Packing School will be held in the Town Hall on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday next, the 5th, 6th, and 7th of February. All having orchards are specially invited to attend. See advertisement in another column.

The report of the County Council proceedings occupy a large part of our space in to-day's issue. There were many important matters considered by the Council and the report will repay perusal. We are indebted to the Belleville Ontario for the report.

As will be seen by advertisement in another column, Messrs. Moore and Campbell, who have conducted the Stirling Marble works for many years, have dissolved partnership. Mr. Campbell is moving to Trenton, where he intends opening up in the same line of business for himself.

A Hockey match between Marmora and Stirling teams will be played on the rink here on Wednesday evening next, Feb. 9th. This is expected to be one of the most hotly contested matches of the season, as the posters announcing it, state it will virtually decide the championship. No doubt there will be a good attendance of lovers of the game and friends of the contesting teams.

On Thursday night of last week the residence of Mr. W. U. Grain narrowly escaped destruction by fire. While some of the family were in the sitting room a smell of smoke was noticed, and on going to the kitchen it was found that a fire had started at the back of the range, and was making considerable headway. Fortunately water was close at hand and it was soon extinguished. How the fire started is a mystery.

A meeting of the Stirling Branch of the Women's Institute will be held in the office of the Dept. of Agriculture on Wednesday, Feb. 7th, at 2.30 p. m. Any ladies who have ideas along the lines of poultry keeping, killing, dressing and marketing of poultry, preservation of eggs, and different methods of cooking eggs are requested to come prepared to discuss the same. "If you know a good thing pass it on." All are cordially invited to be present.

The second annual meeting of the Menie District Ayrshire Breeders' Club will be held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Belleville, at 1 o'clock, p. m., Monday, Feb. 5th, for the election of officers for 1912, receiving reports of the past year's work, discussing plans for the successful carrying on of the work for 1912, the advisability of holding an auction sale and any other business that anyone wishes to bring forward. All interested in Ayrshires are cordially invited to attend this meeting.

What might have been a serious fire was narrowly averted on Wednesday evening last, when the residence of Mr. Chas. Mosher was ignited through the explosion of a coal oil lamp. At about 9.30 o'clock, while extinguishing the light of a hanging lamp in the front of the house, Mr. Mosher blew the blaze into the oil, and an explosion followed immediately. Some damage was done to the carpet, a table and other things in the room, but the prompt efforts of the entire household prevented a more serious blaze. Fortunately no one was hurt. Mr. Mosher will get insurance covering the damage done.

The Florence Nightingale Mission Circle of the Methodist Church are planning for a Valentine Social for the 14th of February. Watch for further notice.

The tenth biennial conference of the Epworth Leagues of the Bay of Quinte Conference will be held in Bridge St. Methodist Church, Belleville, on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, Feb. 6th, 7th, and 8th.

We are informed that Marmora Hockey Club intend running a special train to Anson on Wednesday evening next, and will bring 175 to 200 people with them to attend the match on the Stirling Rink, between Marmora and Stirling teams on that evening.

The News-Argus offers congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Boldrick on the 51st anniversary of their wedding day, which occurred on Wednesday, Jan. 31st. Mr. Boldrick has been in business here during the entire 51 years. We extend to them our best wishes for their future, and hope they may see many more seasons come and go.

**Death of Simon Armstrong**

The death took place at Harold on Wednesday morning, of Simon Armstrong, one of the old and well-known residents of Rawdon Township. He suffered a paralytic stroke just a week previous to his death, which was the direct cause of his death. He was a good citizen, highly respected by all who made his acquaintance. Had he lived a few days longer he would have completed his 83rd year. He leaves a widow and two sons, who have the sympathy of the entire community in their bereavement. His sons are William, of Montreal, and Arthur, of Troy, N. Y.

**The Older Generation is Passing**

On Monday, Jan. 29th, there died at Campbellford Mrs. Neill, widow of the late Rev. Robt. Neill, D. D., who was for forty-seven years minister of St. Andrew's congregation at Burnbrae, and who predeceased Mrs. Neill by 22 years. For the last 25 years Mrs. Neill has had her home in Campbellford, where her two unmarried daughters, Jessie and Alice, and her youngest son, Charles, have lived with her. Besides these, there survives Mrs. Adam Dinwoodie, and Mrs. Ernest Denmark, of Campbellford. Mrs. (Rev.) Jacob Steele of Metcalfe, Ont. Andrew, and Robert, of Manitoba, Hugh, of Texas, and William, who is manager of the Standard Bank branch at Wellington, Prince Edward County.

Mrs. Neill had nearly completed her 80th year, and during her long life in Seymour and Campbellford she was held in the highest esteem by all who had the privilege of her acquaintance. Sympathy with her surviving family is sincere and general.

**Wellman's Woman's Institute**

The last meeting of the Woman's Institute was held on January 25th, at the home of Mrs. J. Parks.

The opened with singing "The Maple Leaf." The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved and the roll called. This was an experience meeting, each member telling how the Institute had benefited her. A discussion followed. There were eight members present and 20c. collection for the Sick Children's Hospital.

Letters of sympathy were sent to Mrs. Scarlett and Mrs. Wm. Pollock, also a letter of regret to the president of the Menie Institute.

The next meeting will be held on the evening of Feb. 15th, at the home of Mrs. Fred Snarr. The gentlemen are invited to this meeting and are requested to bring lead pencils with them. The topic will be given by Mrs. Robert Totten and Mrs. C. Dracup. Visitors welcome.

**Address and Presentation.**

On Wednesday evening, Jan. 24th, the family and near relatives gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Weaver to give them a pleasant surprise in their new home. The following address was read:

MR. AND MRS. J. B. WEAVER.  
Dear Father and Mother,—We, your family and near relatives, have assembled here this evening to enjoy a social time with you in your new home. Although you have left the farm home we are very glad to still have you in our midst. You have always labored in our behalf. We have your loving kindness you have set us an example which has endeared you to us all. We realize now how faithfully you have tried to discharge your every duty, and therefore we cannot allow you to leave us without some small remembrance. We now ask you to accept this Hall-rack in token of our love. We hope God will bless you in your new home and that happiness and prosperity will be yours. Signed in behalf of the family and near relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Weaver replied in a few suitable remarks. The evening was spent in social intercourse and music until about midnight, when the party broke up, all feeling they had spent a very pleasant evening.

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**Halloway**  
Mr. Miles Reid and Mrs. Belmore, of Foxboro, were married on Wednesday last.

There has been an increase in the population in this vicinity. Mr. and Mrs. Kelly have a son, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Elliott a daughter, and Mr. and Mrs. S. Bird a son.

Miss Evelyn Wood, of Peterboro, has been visiting at Mr. Chas. Spencer's for some weeks.

Our young people are taking much interest in educational advantages. Mr. Clinton Townsend is at the O.B.C. in Belleville, Miss Effie McMullen is at High School and Messrs. C. Wilson, Blake McMullen and H. Carter are attending the Farmers' Course in Stirling.

Miss Edna Reid is teaching near Lindsay and Miss Marjorie Broadworth has gone to Sault Ste. Marie to take charge of a school.

Mr. John Wilson, brother of our blacksmith, and who lives some miles north, has purchased the farm owned by Mrs. B. Maines, and their family will move in the spring.

Mr. Geo. Martin, of Harold, visited his cousin, Mr. R. B. McMullen, this week.

Mr. Broadworth has a bad sore foot. Our teacher, Miss Lawson, is ill.

Mrs. Tom Tummon, of Ivanhoe, is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. Townsend.

**West Huntingdon**

Mr. A. Corrigan and family, who have been living in the United States for several years has sold out his business and is visiting relatives here. We understand he intends to settle in Stirling.

We are glad to see our boys return from the West even if only for the winter. Arthur Thompson is the last to return this year.

Mr. R. C. Shewin, our general merchant is very ill of pleurisy. He is under the care of Dr. Potts and is improving nicely.

The missionary services of the Methodist Church were held on Sunday, 21st inst.

The W. M. S. of West Huntingdon circuit were entertained by the Auxiliary of West Huntingdon church on Wednesday 17th. Over 50 were present to enjoy a good programme and dinner.

Mr. Percy Ashley is the only representative from here who is taking the Winter Course given by the Stirling Department of Agriculture. We wish him unbounded success.

Miss Eliza Dunning is visiting friends and relatives near Trenton.

The Epworth League is planning to hold a special Missionary meeting early in February. The main feature is to be a debate.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Brownson and family of Foxboro are visiting friends here.

**Auction Sales**

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 7.—On lot 23, con. 6, Sidney, the valuable pure bred and high grade Holstein Cattle, horses, farm implements, hay, grain and household effects belonging to Mr. Egbert Sine. Sale at 10 o'clock, sharp.

**Births**

SARAH—At West Huntingdon on January 31, 1912, to Mr. and Mrs. Elijah Saries, a son.

**Married**

REID BELMORE—At the residence of the officiating minister, on Jan. 24th, by Rev. W. S. Barker, John Miles Reid, of West Huntingdon, and Mrs. Mary Lane Belmore, of Foxboro.

**Deaths**

ARMSTRONG—At Harold, on January 31st, Simon Armstrong, aged 83 years.

The funeral will take place on Friday, leaving his late residence at 1 p. m. Service at Bethel Church.

**Dissolution of Partnership**

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned under the firm name of Moore & Campbell in this day been dissolved by mutual consent. All debts due the said firm must be settled by note or cash at the Bank of Montreal, Stirling.

Dated Feb. 1st, 1912.  
JOHN MOORE  
JOHN CAMPBELL  
R. M. Whylock, Witness.

**BOX PACKING SCHOOL**

A Box Packing School will be held in STIRLING TOWN HALL

ON

February 5th, 6th and 7th, 1912

These Demonstrations have been arranged for by the Fruit Branch, Ontario Department of Agriculture, through the agency of the District Office at Stirling. The object of the meetings is to demonstrate the different methods of packing apples in boxes and to give those in attendance an opportunity to practice packing under the direction of a box packing expert.

Mr. W. E. Kydd, of the Department of Agriculture, Toronto, will have charge of the Demonstrations and practical work in packing. Morning and afternoon sessions will be held, starting at 9.30 a. m. and 1.30 p. m.

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**Celery Soup.**—Put on to stew one cup of chopped celery; one may use the outside stalks and keep the good, yellow for the table. When it is done drain, put in pepper, salt and butter to suit taste. Then scald one and a half cups milk and thicken with one tablespoon flour. Then add celery liquid; beat one egg, put in and serve.

**Vinegar Frosting.**—A teaspoonful of vinegar beaten into boiled frosting when the flavoring is added will keep it from being brittle and breaking when cut, and it will be as moist in a week as the day it was made. Also a teaspoonful of vinegar added to each pint of home made syrup will prevent it from candying.

### DELICACIES.

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**Confectioner's Icing.**—Two cupfuls of granulated sugar, one teaspoonful of glucose, one cupful of water. Boil together without stirring until it forms a thread when dropped from a fork. Take from the fire at once and let stand until lukewarm. Beat until like soft dough; then knead with the hands until thick and creamy. Pack away in glass, cover and keep in a cool place. When wanted to use, put some in a bowl, set the bowl in hot water, and stir until soft enough to spread on cake. Add desired flavor, and use. This icing will keep an indefinite time if kept covered as directed. Corn syrup may be substituted for glucose.

**Grape Juice Taffy.**—Make an ordinary lemonade, add the juice of two oranges, a little pineapple syrup, and a quart of grape juice. This will make a delicious drink or punch to serve at parties or receptions.

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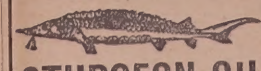
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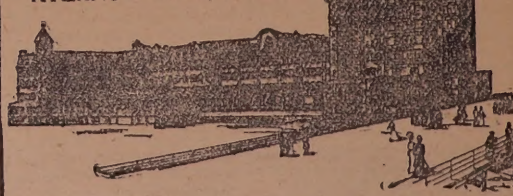
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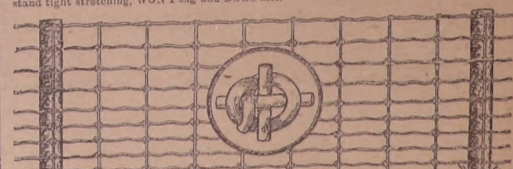
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## CANALS IN ENGLAND.

They Had Their Origin In A Matrimonial Disappointment.

The British system of artificial inland navigation, which includes several thousand miles of canal, may be said to have had its origin in a matrimonial disappointment. The Duke of Bridgewater, the originator of the system, was engaged to be married just after he had attained his majority. A dispute arising between the couple, the match was broken off. The duke's chagrin changed the course of his life. He gave his first and last ball to the London world of fashion and then buried himself among his coal fields at Worsley, eschewing the society of women, he refused even to employ them as servants in his manor house.

Disappointed in marrying the most beautiful woman in England, he determined to unite by means of a canal his coal fields with Manchester, then beginning its career as a manufacturing town. In those days good roads were the exceptions, bad roads the rule. The cottons of Manchester and the woollens of Leeds were conveyed from place to place on pack horses, which jogged along a stia file. The freight charge from Leeds to London was \$63 a ton. When the duke's canal was finished the prices of coal and other commodities in Manchester fell one-half.

The success of this canal started the duke to build one which would connect Manchester with Liverpool. To procure the funds he reduced his personal expenses to \$400 a year. So straitened was he at times that the London bankers hesitated to discount his note for \$500. Sometimes when "hard up" he would send his steward upon a collecting tour among the tenantry of the ducal estates. The steward would ride from tenant to tenant, getting \$5 here and \$10 there. When he had collected money enough he would return and pay the canal laborers their weekly wages. In a few years, however, the duke's canals paid him an annual revenue of \$20,000.—New York Press.

## THE WORD MELODRAMA.

Originally Meant a Play In Which Music Was Introduced.

Nowadays "melodrama" is in general use as denoting a purely sensational play, with an all but impossible hero, heroine and villain among the characters represented. Formerly the word kept more closely in its significance to actual derivation. "Melodrama" is compounded of the Greek words melos, a song, and drama, an action, a play, and was applied to two sorts of performances when it first came into use.

It signified a play, generally of the romantic school, in which the dialogue was frequently relieved by music, sometimes of an incidental and sometimes of a purely dramatic character. On the strength of his "Pygmalion," J. J. Rousseau is credited with the invention of this style. Some of the so-called English operas of the older school, such as the once famous "Beggar's Opera" and the once popular "No Song, No Supper," are in reality true melodramas.

In the second place "melodrama" was applied to a peculiar kind of theatrical composition in which the actor recited his part in an ordinary speaking voice, while the orchestra played a more or less elaborate accompaniment appropriate to the situation and calculated to bring its salient features into the highest possible relief. The merit of the invention of this description of melodrama belongs to George Benda, who used it with striking effect in his "Ariadne auf Naxos," produced at Gotha in 1774.—London Globe.

### Familiar Quotations.

One of the most familiar quotations from the Bible which are not to be found there upon research is "the lion lying down with the lamb." The spirit of the reference is correct enough, but turn up the passage in Isaiah and you will find: "The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid, and the calf and the young lion and the fawning together." The popular mind has condensed the zoological miscellany, and to the incorrect version alliteration has no doubt contributed.—Exchange.

### Denmark's Outdoor Theater.

Denmark has probably the finest natural outdoor theater in the world. It is situated in the royal deer park about six miles out of the capital. There the avenues of mighty trees serve as wings and background to a stage fronted by a beech encircled slope that forms a perfect auditorium. Eight thousand people can be accommodated at every performance.

### Positively Brutal.

Grace—Just see how much your little wife loves you. She made this cake for you all by herself. Arthur—Yes, my darling. And now if you will eat it all by yourself I shall possess indisputable proof of your devotion.—Pittsburgh Press.

### Heartless.

Gritty Pikes—It's a heartless world, pard. Think what a woman does when I asked her to give me something to keep body and soul together! Muddy Lanes—Can't imagine. Gritty Pikes—She gimme a safety pin.—Chicago News.

### An Exception.

"Take my advice and mind your own affairs. No man ever got rich fighting other people's battles."  
"I don't know. How about a lawyer?"—Boston Transcript.

## THE STRAPONTIN.

Found In Parisian Theaters, It Is a Delusion and a Snare.

In every Paris theater there are two or three "straponins." You wonder what a straponin is? Well, it is a folding or strap seat on the aisle attached to the side of the aisle chair of the orchestra or balcony rows. It has neither sides nor back and is without visible means of support except through affiliation and attachment. The unsuspecting American tourist whose stay in Paris is but a matter of days approaches the Parisian box office and is shown the diagram by the middle aged lady with the blond curls. Guilelessly the visitor indicates what he believes to be an aisle seat and congratulates himself on his luck at so late an hour in capturing it.

A few minutes later he has paid his 10 cents for a program and tipped the woman attendant who shows him to his straponin. It is as devoid of arms or feet, this straponin, as of arms and vertebrae, a device to make yourself comfortable, to secure some attitude whereby the hardships of the straponin may be annihilated, but in vain. It drives from your mind the most seductive music, the most dramatic episode fails to affect you, and your thoughts are forced back on the instrument of torture which has cost you the full 10 francs, the price of an orchestra chair.—New York Press.

## KANAA BURIAL GROUNDS.

Bolivia's Fearsome Valley of the Shadow of Death.

There is a valley in Bolivia, South America, which might well be called the Valley of the Shadow of Death. It has been inhabited for an indefinite period of years by the Kanna Indians, who are kindred to the various South American tribes and number now only a few hundred souls.

That they were once a very powerful tribe is indicated by the condition of the land which they as a tribe still inhabit. One cannot travel any distance through their land without coming upon the old and forsaken burial grounds of the Kanna dead. These places cannot be called graveyards, for the bodies are not buried, but rather placed upon elevated platforms, wrapped in the garments of death and bound to the crossbeams that they may not be displaced.

In one of these burial grounds there will be probably fifty high skeleton platforms, and on each will lie from three to five of the Kanna dead. The air in that part of Bolivia is very pure and preservative, for it is one of the highest plateaus of the continent, although Kanna valley is just a little below the plateau's height. A traveler passing through that land at night and by moonlight would be awe-stricken at the gloomy vision those graveyards present.

### Won by His Wit.

On one occasion a dress rehearsal at His Majesty's theater was prolonged till the small hours of the morning. The company grew very weary, particularly a gentleman who had been with Sir Herbert Tree in a good many productions, but who had never attained to more than a very tiny part. When the time came to rehearse his few lines he was so tired that his voice was anything but distinct.

"What's the matter, Mr. Z?" asked Sir Herbert in his most sarcastic tones. "Are you saving your voice for the rehearsal?"  
"No, Sir Herbert," was the retort; "I've never been able to save anything under your management."  
Sir Herbert, an exceedingly witty man himself, was so pleased with the retort that the salary of the small part man was raised.—London M. A. P.

### Opposed to Mourning Clothes.

"A southern physician of recognized skill and eminence urges that all outward symbols of mourning should be abandoned," says Munsey's. "For many years he has expressed his views. He has won over a large number of people who see no reason why the heart should advertise its sorrow by the conspicuous insignia of gloom. There are or have been peoples wiser in their generation. The Romans of the days of the republic wore blue as a sign of mourning. It is the proper thing in Asia Minor now. The Turk mourns in violet and the Persian in pale brown. Until a French queen set the present fashion in the latter half of the fifteenth century white was the color of grief in Europe, as it is now in China."

### A Generous Actor.

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### Quite Different.

"I suppose his wife is the most careful housekeeper in town."  
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"And she has half a million in her own right."  
"Ah, that's different."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

### Gossip.

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A film of petroleum spreading over the surface of the water has been known to produce enough of this volatile and dangerous vapor to cause a conflagration, by which a number of ships lying in a harbor have been suddenly enwrapped in roaring flames as if by a stroke of magic.

In some parts of the world, as at Baku, the center of the Russian petroleum trade, a film of oil continually covers the water for a considerable distance from shore, and warnings of the danger there have more than once been given.—Exchange.

## HUMAN BOATS.

Swimmers Who Used to Rig Themselves With Sails.

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This was carried a step further by another noted swimmer, Captain Boyton, who used to think nothing of sailing up and down the English channel clad in dress inflated with air and with a sail fixed to his feet. Once, indeed, he actually crossed the channel from Dover to Calais, but on this occasion he used a paddle with which to steer himself.—Pearson's Weekly.

### Men For All Jobs.

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### Rawdon Council

Rawdon Town Hall, Feb. 5th, 1912

Council met pursuant to adjournment.

Members all present.

Minutes of last meeting read and adopted.

Correspondence read and filed.

Mr. Wm. E. Green applied for wood on west quarter of lot 18, in the 9th con. The Road Surveyor was instructed to investigate with power to act, unless parties having road allowance fenced were dissatisfied.

Moved by Mr. Hawkins, seconded by Mr. Jeffs, that all applications for grants on roads must be made not later than May 15, or not entertained.

By-law No. 318 was passed in regular order appointing Road Masters, Pound Keepers, and Fence Viewers.

Moved by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Hawkins, that John Robinson and David McComb, each get \$3, and T. J. Thompson get \$3, for services rendered as sheep inspectors, and in future that each inspector get \$1.00 per call, and 10c. per mile one way.—Carried.

Mr. Geo. Bailey, offered to purchase part of the corporation grounds west of the Town Hall.

Moved by Mr. Hawkins, seconded by Mr. Jeffs, that Mr. Montgomery and Mr. Thompson be a committee to investigate the right to sell, title, etc. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Jeffs, seconded by Mr. Hawkins, that the following accounts be paid.—Carried.

Miles Mason, support of John Benson, to date.....\$28.00

Wm. Jeffrey, 48 yds. gravel.....2.40

A. L. Saylor, tile for 1911.....19.65

John Barrow, 24 yds. of gravel.....1.20

Allen Brown, sheep killed.....4.00

Wm. McKeown, sheep killed.....4.00

Isaac Spry, sheep killed.....4.67

T. W. Snarr, Com. statute labor Mrs. Charlotte Melkjohn, 42 yds. of gravel.....7.00

Nathaniel Heath, balance of 588 yds. of gravel.....4.40

John Robinson, salary as sheep inspector.....3.00

David McComb, salary as sheep inspector.....3.00

T. J. Thompson, salary as sheep inspector.....6.00

Council adjourned to meet Monday, April 1st, at 10 o'clock, a.m.

W. J. BATEMAN, Clerk.

### West Huntingdon

Colds and bronchitis are holding sway in nearly every home hereabouts.

We are glad to report that Mr. F. C. Sherwin who had a severe attack of pleurisy is again able to be out.

Mr. T. McLaughlin and family who have been visiting Mrs. McLaughlin's parents and friends left for their home in Alberta on Tuesday, Jan. 30th.

Our popular music teacher, Miss Buckler, of Ivanhoe, has a large class formed here now, requiring two days each week.

Master William Sherwin who is taking up high school work in Tweed has been at home several days owing to the untimely death of one of the lady teachers of the Tweed staff.

St. Andrew's congregation held its annual meeting on Friday evening last.

Also on Friday evening last, the Epworth League here held their special missionary meeting, and in spite of the counter attractions, had a good crowd.

The main feature was a debate on "Resolved That Foreign Missions Make a Stronger Appeal Than Home Missions." The affirmative was well presented by Miss Martha Farquhar, teacher of Ridge Road School, and Miss N. Hollinger, teacher at Moira, while the negative was very ably defended by Miss Hugo, teacher at Madoc Jct. and as her colleague, Miss M. Bristol, teacher at Moira was ill, Mr. L. M. Sharpe was chosen to assist.

The public did the judging by the giving of the collection upon two plates to represent the respective sides, resulting in a victory for the Home Missions. Proceeds \$12.30. The thanks of the League are tendered to all who aided.

The Finance and Property Committee of the County Council have made arrangements for the construction of twenty-five permanent bridges at a cost of \$60,000 if funds permit. Two gangs of men will be set to work on the construction of the bridges and a new cement mixing outfit will be purchased. The services of Mr. L. E. Allen, county engineer in the past, will be retained, he having been re-engaged by the committee as engineer.

### Madoc Junction Items

The debate at West Huntingdon came off on Friday evening.

Miss Hugo was on the victorious side. A number from here were prevented from going on account of the High School concert at Stirling on the same night. Those who attended the concert are enjoying it yet, and would like to see the last play "over and over again." Several have been wishing that "Mrs. Higgins" delivered the mail here. Don't be jealous Miss Todd if you please.

A pleasant evening was spent at the home of Mrs. A. Eggleton on Tuesday, Jan. 30th, when about thirty friends of her boys assembled and enjoyed a midnight oyster supper. Some of us will be very lonesome when Will leaves for the West.

Miss Ethel Stapley and Mr. J. Danford were united in marriage on the 31st of Jan., by Rev. E. A. Tonkin. The bride wore a dress of pale blue silk with trimmings of heavy insertions and braid. Her travelling suit was wine colored velvet with hat to match.

Rev. E. A. Tonkin addressed the congregation last Sabbath on Church Union. Both sides of the question were fairly dealt with. One thing is certain, if Union takes place there will be more ministers to send out West where they are so much needed.

Rev. Mr. Byers held services in our neighborhood one evening last week.

Mrs. French entertained a few at her home last Thursday evening.

The prayer meetings on Monday and Thursday evening were well attended.

Mr. J. Bird spent Sunday in Campbellford.

Mrs. A. E. Juby returned last week from visiting friends at Corbyville.

The W. M. S. will hold their next meeting at the home of Mrs. (Rev.) Barker. A good program is expected.

### The Ridge

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Reid spent Sunday with relatives in Madoc.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Barlow, of Rawdon, spent Sunday visiting relatives at West Huntingdon.

Among those who attended the County L. O. L. meeting at Madoc, were Mr. Sandy McCurdy and Mr. Foster Wilson.

Hauling wood and ice is the order of the day on the Ridge.

Mr. J. McCurdy is visiting friends in Belleville.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stapley spent Tuesday evening at Mr. Frank Searles.

Mr. Sas, McGowan is spending a few days at Madoc.

We are glad to learn that a number of our young men are attending the Agricultural school at Stirling.

### Glen Ross

Last week, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Anderson, together with Mr. E. Pyear and wife paid a visit to Mr. Wessels, of Wooler.

Mr. W. H. Hastings of Winnipeg, Man., paid his cousin, Mr. Mark Anderson a visit.

Miss Mason, former teacher of the school here was visiting in the neighborhood last week.

Mr. Harry Anderson has returned from Godolphin to pay his mother, Mrs. James Anderson, a short visit.

Miss Minnie Pyear gave her friends a party on the occasion of her birthday. A most enjoyable time was spent by all.

### S. S. No. 6, Rawdon

Report for January

Names in order of merit:—

Sr. IV—Vera Sine 73, Samuel McMullen 70, Fred Martin 47.

Jr. IV—Stanley Heagle 51, Maud Bailey 48, Percy Sine 44, Lillian McMullen 19.

Sr. III—Ethel Cranston 75, Laura Waller 69, Lillian Nerrie 69, Ethel Martin 43.

Sr. II—Annie Bailey 77, Daisy Benison 75, Pearl Benedict 74, Lela McMullen 73, Lucy Kemp 71, Maud Stevens 68, Lorne Tucker 63.

Jr. II—Mabel Sheppard 64, Flossie Martin 56, Seymour Waller 53, Alice Reed 53.

Sr. I—Francis Haig 76, May Tucker 76.

Present every day:—Annie Bailey, Maud Stevens, Francis Haig, Iva Kemp, Lucy Kemp.

Highest attendance 34.  
Average attendance 27.

MARY E. MATTHEWS, Teacher.

This is the season of the year when mothers feel very much concerned over the frequent colds contracted by their children, and have abundant reason for it, as every cold weakens the lungs, lowers the vitality, and paves the way for the more serious diseases which so often follow. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is famous for its cures and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by all dealers.

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### A Bountiful Harvest

"As a Man Soweth, so Shall He Reap," and youth is the time in which he must do his sowing if the granary is not to be empty when old age overtakes him, as it surely will if he lives long enough. The making of money and the saving of money, as distinguished from the miserly love of money should be the ambition of everyone. But it does not necessarily follow that if you make money you will have it in your old age, as many a one-time millionaire has died in the poor house. But if you take advantage of the Canadian Government Annuities system, and out of your wages, salary or income, pay the amount fixed to be paid each week, month or year, or as otherwise arranged, provision for old age may be made with absolute certainty, and at much less cost than on any other safe plan. You may lose everything else you own but the Annuity cannot be lost or taken from you by any process of law, no matter how long you may live. Ask your postmaster for literature on the subject, or write for the same to the Superintendent of Annuities, Ottawa, to whom all letters may be addressed free of postage.

Mr. Wm. Proudfoot, K. C., of Goderich, M. P. P. for Center Huron, will introduce a bill at the present session of the Legislature, which will provide for the taxing of mail order and catalogue business done in all towns and cities by departmental stores situated in some other town or city.

The Board of Trade of Goderich took the first action in the matter, and asked Mr. Proudfoot to introduce the bill.

Details of the scheme have not been worked out, but it is proposed to make the tax equal to the average taxes paid by ordinary retail businesses. It is claimed that the business done by the large departmental stores through catalogue and mail orders is unfair to smaller local merchants.

**Mysterious.**

"That was a mysterious robbery the other day," said Smith to Jones.

"Why, I don't see what mystery there was about it," remarked Jones. "The detectives caught the thieves the same day."

"Yes," returned the first speaker, "that's what I said."—Answers.

**More Time.**

"He's the man of the hour."

"Isn't there ever a woman of the hour?"

"Yes, but it takes her an hour and a half."

### TRIALS IN ITALY.

**Criminal Court Methods There Utterly Different From Ours.**

Criminal court trials in Italy are conducted under a very simple system, though utterly different from the system which governs procedure in American or English courts, says an exchange.

The trial takes place before three judges and a jury, to which are added a certain number of extra jurors, who are sworn and are present in court to hear the testimony and are held ready to take the place in the jury box of any juror who may in the course of the trial be incapacitated from further service. The depositions of all the witnesses have been taken in writing and signed before the trial begins. Each of the judges has a copy of these before him. The prosecutor and the counsel for the accused furnish to the court a list of the witnesses they desire called, and these are all summoned by the court, which has power to punish nonattendance.

The first thing that happens when the trial begins is the questioning of the accused by the presiding justice.

In Italy, as in most of continental Europe, a man accused of a crime is considered by the law to be the very best witness to his own guilt or innocence.

In England and America the accused need not testify unless he chooses. In Italy he is the first and most important witness.

The accused is allowed the widest scope in defending himself. He has a right to tell his own story to his own way, to offer anything he can in the way of justification or palliation. Even hearsay evidence is admissible.

The judge has absolute discretion as to what testimony may be received and what excluded, and any judge who exercised this discretion unfairly would be an object of execration. Bias on the part of one judge is possible, but there are always the other two judges on the bench with him, and they are a perfect check against unfairness.

When the accused has given his testimony he is confronted personally with his accuser. The accuser is necessarily the principal witness against him. Strictly speaking, the prisoner has no right to interrupt his accuser while the latter is telling his story, but in practice the judges permit it, and the confrontation sometimes becomes a three cornered debate between accuser, accused and judge, the latter giving the accused the widest leeway to demonstrate his innocence.—Case and Comment.

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## CLOSE QUARTERS;

OR, THE HOUSE IN THE RUE BARBETTE

### CHAPTER XIV.—(Cont'd)

Having acquainted the police officer with the exact position of the hidden apartment, he ended by saying—

"Continue inquiries throughout Paris during the whole of to-morrow. Do not visit the Cabaret Noir for the purpose of police inspection until a late hour—long after midnight—when the cafe is empty and the Boulevard comparatively deserted. It is only a mere guess on my part. The Turks may not be there. If they are, they should be set at liberty and not questioned. Tell them they owe their escape to me. If you do not find them you may make other discoveries of general interest to the police. But above all things, I do not wish you to interfere with Gros Jean or his house until the next twenty-four hours have elapsed."

The commissary assured him that his desires would be respected, and soon afterwards Brett went upstairs with the full determination to secure a long night's sleep, of which he stood much in need.

He had reached the sitting room reserved for the use of the party when Talbot and Lord Fairholme burst in excitedly.

"We have seen her!" gasped the earl.

"Seen whom?" demanded the barrister.

"Mademoiselle Beaucaire," cried Talbot; "the woman who accompanied Dubois in his flight from London. I recognized her instantly. I could pick her out among a million as the same person who so coolly made up Dubois to represent me, whilst I was lying tied on the bed in that flat."

In their eagerness the two men had forgotten to close the door. Brett ran to it, and looked out into the passage to learn if their words had perchance been overheard. No one was in sight. He closed the door behind him when he re-entered, and said quietly—

"How did you happen to meet her?"

"Whilst you were wrestling with the telephone," said Fairholme, "Edith and Jack and I went to the

door of the hotel to have a look at the people passing in the Cannabiere. None of us have ever been in Marseilles before, you know. We were gazing at the crowd, when suddenly Jack gripped my arm and said: 'There she is! Look at that woman, quick!' He pointed to a tall, well-dressed female, wrapped up in a fur cloak, and wearing a large feather hat. Luckily her veil was up, and the electric light fell fully on her as she passed. She was undoubtedly La Belle Chasseuse, and I bet you anything you like she had just come away from the music-hall where she is performing."

"Did she see you?" demanded Brett excitedly.

"Not a bit; she was gazing at the passing tram-cars, and evidently on the look out for some particular line."

"What happened next?" demanded the barrister. "Where is Miss Talbot?"

"Edith has gone after her," said Fairholme.

"What!" cried Brett, more startled than he cared to own.

"Yes," broke in Talbot eagerly. "She heard my words and instantly decided to follow her. She said that the woman knew both of us, and might easily detect us, but she, Edith, was unknown to her, and would never be suspected. She simply forced us to come and tell you, and then darted off like a greyhound before we could stop her."

Brett forced himself to say calmly—

"Miss Talbot has acted quite rightly. We must simply remain here until she returns. There is not the slightest ground for alarm. A woman who could act with such ready judgment is well able to take care of herself. Unless I am much mistaken, we shall see her within the hour."

It was well for the peace of mind of the younger men that Sir Hubert Fitzjames had gone to his room soon after the party reached the hotel. Had the irascible baronet known of his niece's mission, no power on earth could have restrained him from setting every policeman in Marseilles on her track forthwith.

And so they kept their vigil, striving to talk unconcernedly, but watching the clock with feverish

impatience until Edith should return.

### CHAPTER XV.

In the suburbs Marseilles is modern enough, but the chief thoroughfare, known to all who read, the famous and ever busy Cannabiere, plunges rapidly downhill until it empties itself on the crowded quays that surround the old port.

With the newer Marseilles of the Joliette—well found in wharfs and warehouses, steam cranes and railway lines—the town beloved of the Phœnicians has no concern. There is no touch of modern ugliness in the tiny maritime refuge, which is barely half the size of the Serpentine. Lofty, old-fashioned, half-ruined houses throng close to its rugged quays.

At night this quarter of the turbulent city wears an air of intense mystery. The side streets are narrow and tortuous. Dark courts and alleys twist in every conceivable direction, while the brightness of the many wine shops facing each other across the tideless harbor only serves to enhance the squalid gloom that forms the most marked characteristic of the buildings clustered behind them.

Edith Talbot, intent on the pursuit of a woman so dramatically bound up with the mystery affecting her brother, paid heed to no consideration save the paramount one, that the hurrying figure in front must be kept in sight.

Contrary to the opinions expressed by the two men, Mdlle. Beaucaire did not board a passing tram-car. To Edith's eyes she seemed to be eagerly watching for some person who might pass in one of the small open carriages which in Marseilles take the place of the London hansom. Even as she rapidly walked down the crowded street mademoiselle closely scrutinized each vehicle that overtook her, and once, at a busy crossing, she deliberately stopped. Edith, of course, slackened her pace, and simultaneously became aware how incongruous was her appearance at such an hour in such a thoroughfare.

Much taller than the average Frenchwoman, neatly dressed in an English tailor-made costume, with her smart straw hat and well-gloved hands, Miss Talbot naturally attracted the curious gaze of the passersby.

Instantly it occurred to her that some disguise was absolutely necessary if she would not court an attention fatal to her enterprise. It chanced that where she stood for a moment a fruit-seller occupied a tiny shop squeezed tightly between a church and a restaurant. The interior was dark enough, for a couple of flaring naphtha lamps were so disposed as to cast their flickering brilliancy over the baskets of fruit and vegetables displayed in the window or crowded together on the pavement.

The woman inside had a kindly and contented face, cherry ripe in cheek and lips, and from a pair of deep-set blue eyes she looked out quizzically at the hurrying crowd.

Assuring herself with one fleeting glance that La Belle Chasseuse still remained motionless and intent at the crossing, Edith darted into the shop. She produced a sovereign.

"I have not much French money," she said hurriedly, "but this is worthy twenty-five francs. Can you let me have a large dark shawl? I do not care whether or not it is old or worn. It is necessary that

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Subject C.	61.661	61.790	129	0.920

The body-building power of Bovril proved to be from 10 to 20 times the amount taken.

I should remain out for some few minutes longer, and I do not wish to court observation."

Even as she spoke she removed her straw hat and eagerly took off her gloves. The Frenchwoman saw that one of her own sex, English, and consequently mad, desired to screen her appearance from too inquisitive eyes.

It was sufficient for her that there should be a spice of romance in the request. With one hand she pocketed the sovereign; with the other she dived into a recess beneath the counter and produced the very article Edith wanted.

"But certainly, mademoiselle," she cried. "See. It will cover you to the waist."

Edith advanced another pace into the darkest corner of the shop, quickly arranged the shawl over her head and shoulders, and hastily murmuring her thanks, rushed forth into the street again, leaving hat and gloves behind in her haste.

She was just in time to see Mdlle. Beaucaire either abandon her search or resolve it in some manner, for the lady once more resumed progress towards the old harbor, in whose placid bosom could be seen the reflections of numberless lights from the small monuments around, crowned with the Port St. Nicholas and the Chateau du Phare.

Looking neither right nor left but hastening onwards with rapid strides, mademoiselle crossed the rough pavement of the Quai de la

Fraternite, bearing away diagonally towards the left.

But if the Frenchwoman was a good walker, Edith Talbot was a better one, and now that she no longer feared notice—for she draped the large shawl as elegantly about her shoulders as any woman in Marseilles—she decided to adopt a little strategy. Instead of keeping directly behind mademoiselle, she broke into a run under the shadow of the houses. By thus making up ground she approached the narrow street towards which the Frenchwoman was heading almost simultaneously with her quarry, but apparently from an opposite direction. The aspect of the thor-

oughfare through which the two women sped was forbidding in the extreme. The houses were many storeys in height, of disreputable appearance, and so close together on both sides that, were other conditions equal, an active man might easily spring from one room into another across the street.

There were, of course, many other people in the street besides themselves, else Edith's self-imposed piece of espionage would have been rendered difficult, if not impossible.

(To be continued.)

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## HOUSEHOLD

### MEATS.

**Spaghetti and Beef.**—Take one pound of chopped beef and same amount of chopped onions and fry brown. Add one cup of spaghetti broken in small pieces, then one can of tomatoes, a little red pepper, and one teaspoonful salt. Cook half an hour.

**Scotch Meat Pie.**—Get good round steak, cut into pieces, and dredge with flour. Into a frying pan put a little butter, a piece of suet, and a small onion. When hot, put in steak and fry brown quickly on both sides. Then cover with water and cook slowly for two hours. Add more flour to gravy if not thick enough. Put into a baking dish, make a rich biscuit dough for the top and bake. Put a cup in the center to keep the crust from falling into the gravy.

**Beefsteak and Onions.**—Take a thick steak (a flank steak is best), chop thoroughly, dredge with flour, spread with butter, pepper and salt to taste, place in a dripping pan or roaster. Cover with water, cover closely and place in the oven for about an hour. Slice onions, and twenty minutes before meal time spread the onions over the steak and return to oven. If the oil with which the meat has been dredged does not make the gravy thick add a little browned flour mixed to smooth paste with water. Keep enough water around meat to have a nice gravy when done. Serve hot on a platter, either pouring gravy around steak or serve in a separate bowl.

### BAKING.

**Buster Brown's Delight.**—Boil a pound of sugar in two-thirds of a pint of water for twenty minutes; add a cocoanut grated and a pound of prunes stoned and cut fine, and cook twenty minutes longer; remove from the fire and while still warm stir in a quarter of a pound of butter, the yolks of three eggs well beaten, and a little candied orange peel. Line small patty pans with puff paste; pour the mixture in and bake in a quick oven. Decorate each tart with a tiny pyramid of whipped cream meringue, with a candied cherry in the center.

**Delicious Cocoanut Cookies.**—Cream one-half cup lard, one-half cup butter, and two cups sugar; add one egg, two teaspoons vanilla, and one cup of cocoanut. Add enough oil to roll and bake a light brown in a moderate oven.

**Old Fashioned Gingerbread.**—Use one cup of molasses, one cup of sugar, one-half cup of fried meat dripping, or lard, one-half cup of warm water, three teaspoonsful of soda, and three of cream of tartar, one teaspoonful of ginger, and one of salt. Stir in flour to make a dough that you can knead on the board. Knead it a moment or so, then roll it out, put in small dripping pan, and bake.

### SALADS.

**Spinach Salad.**—Mash to a paste a roll of cream cheese and add the yolks of three hard boiled eggs, forced through a sieve. Add salt to taste and a dash of cayenne, and enough salad oil or melted butter to moisten. Measure and add an equal quantity of finely chopped seasoned spinach. Mix well and shape into balls. Arrange in lettuce nests and serve with a French or boiled dressing.

**Cream Salad Dressing.**—Rub the yolks of two hard boiled eggs through a sieve; use one dessert-spoonful of dry mustard, one tablespoonful of butter, one teaspoonful of salt, one-half pint of cream, either juice of one lemon or two tablespoonfuls of vinegar, and as much cayenne pepper as can be taken on the blade of a small penknife. This is a good substitute for those who do not like oil on meats or vegetables.

### DESSERTS.

**Delicious Dessert.**—To half pound of dates add half pound of English walnuts shelled, three tablespoonfuls of bread crumbs, one cup of sugar, six eggs beaten separately, and one teaspoon of baking powder. Put bread crumbs, sugar, and baking powder in bowl and beat in eggs, adding nuts and fruit last. Bake twenty minutes in layer tins. Break up, pile on dish, and serve with whipped cream.

**Italian Dessert.**—Melt a cupful of light brown sugar over the fire stirring constantly to prevent burning. When melted add one cup of blanched almonds chopped fine; remove quickly from fire and stir until the sugar hardens. Then break into small pieces; whip one pint of cream stiff, flavor with vanilla; add the sugared nuts, mixing thoroughly and serve immediately in compotes. This recipe should serve twelve persons.

### AROUND THE HOUSE.

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In taking down your storm windows and doors, place a tag on each, telling where it belongs. Tie the screens up in a piece of paper and tie to the door or window they came out of. Always set the screens on edge, as they are less apt to warp in that position. Your screens will last longer and you will save much time when you want to put them up again.

Ammonia rubbed on beds and mattresses will keep them clean and free from bugs. A weak solution of turpentine poured down the water pipes once a week will drive the water bugs away.

Kerosene lamps are absolutely odorless if, when not in use, the wick is turned down below top of shaft.

If you wish to shut off the view from any window you can easily and cheaply do it by dissolving in a little hot water as much epsom salts as the water will absorb. Paint it over the window while hot, and when dry you will have a good imitation of ground glass. It is excellent for transoms, glass doors in cupboards, etc.

If a window sash is loose take strong cloth, the length of the sash, and six inches wide, sew up for a bag, leaving one end open. Fill with sand and close the open end. Laid over the sash the weight of the sand will fill every crevice and exclude the wind and cold air.

Newspaper for Moths.—The following is the way to put away furs in the spring: Take the garments outdoors; whip the fur thoroughly with a limber switch. Then comb every inch carefully with a moderately fine comb, hang on line, and air for half day if the weather will permit. Fold carefully and tie up in two or three thicknesses of newspaper. Put in a heavy cotton bag and tie securely. Hang in closet-press or closet after labeling with a pasted paper slip, so not to be disturbed until wanted.

For washing painted walls or woodwork two tablespoonfuls of baking soda added to a pail of warm water makes the work easy.

To remove shiny spots from black woolen garments place garment, whether coat, trousers, or dress, on ironing board; wring a cloth from water, spread carefully over garment, then pass a hot flatiron back and forth just above the wet cloth as closely as you can without touching it. The nap will rise and the shine disappear.

To Clean Carpets.—Use two ounces each of sal soda and borax, one cake of what soap dissolved in a large bucketful of boiling soft water. Let stand until cool; then add two ounces of sulphuric ether. Scrub the dusted carpet on the floor with the warm fluid and wipe dry with a clean cloth. This will destroy moths and clean and brighten the carpet beautifully.

When washing off a kitchen table many people take a knife and scrape off the particles that stay on. This often ruins the table. The best way is to put some coarse salt on the cloth and wash off the table in this way. It leaves the table clean.

To steam a few cups of pudding in a small dish use a medium sized kettle; place a wire toaster over kettle; set the cups or dish on it and cover with a tin or enameled basin. Two biscuits or small slices of cake may be steamed by remov-

ing the lid of the teakettle, putting a flat wire egg beater over the top and covering with a small pan.

To have line in the kitchen well out of the way select the most convenient place along the wall, put two screw eyes about a foot and a half from ceiling or in the tops of window casing, allow about a yard and a half of rope to hang down sides, tie rings in centre of each and fasten on nail or hook. The rope will sag when let down; to avoid this put weights near each end, or, better still, pin baby's wooden stocking forms to line with large safety pins.

### WIFE'S RELATIVES GO AHEAD

**In England Husband's People Take Second Place.**

In England, where the question of precedence is a vital one even at family parties, there is a definite rule as to whose relatives shall go first, those of the wife or those of the husband. As a matter of fact, says the Queen, precedence is generally accorded to the relatives of the wife.

There are several reasons for this being so. The wife's mother is taken in to dinner by her son-in-law, the host, as he could not take his own mother or his own sister. Again, a wife could go in to dinner with her brother-in-law, but not with her own brother when other men guests were present.

Concerning more distant relations the case is different. A host could take in his own married niece, and the hostess her nephew, but they would not do so if the wife's niece or the wife's nephew was present on the occasion. This because of the preference usually accorded to the relatives of the wife over those of the husband.

It is essentially at dinner parties that this question of precedence has to be considered, but in reality it comes to the front throughout the day, not only at meals, but on all those occasions where one or other of the ladies must take the lead. For instance, when a drive is proposed, either by carriage or by motor car, the first to enter the vehicle is a relative of the wife, mother or sister, followed by a relative of the husband, the hostess entering last.

At luncheon the wife's mother often occupies the seat at the bottom of the table in the absence of the host and assists in doing the honors to the guests. At tea she also assists her daughter in helping the guests to all they require in the way of cakes and break and butter, etc.

At dinner she is the first to be helped, as the waiting commences from the host's right hand, and should the guests be helped in the order in which they are seated, and they happen to be numerous, unless there are duplicate dishes the relatives of the husband have some little time to wait in each course. The signal for the ladies to leave the dining room is given by the hostess to the lady who is seated at the host's right hand, her mother in a family party, and she is the first to lead the way from the dining room to the drawing-room, followed by the other ladies, the hostess going last. The adjournment for the night is made in a like manner, the proposal being suggested by the hostess to her mother, and carried out as aforesaid. Thus it will be seen that throughout the visit the honors of the situation are bestowed upon the relations of the hostess, and this by general consent.

### IN ROBES AND SANDALS.

**Men and Women Try to Look Alike in London's Freak Club.**

The latest freak club in London is called the Ethna. It has rooms on a street just off Piccadilly, and here its men and women members meet for intellectual converse.

The rule of the club demands that there shall be as little distinction in the dress and appearance of the members as possible, and both men and women don long flowing white garments of sacklike shape and sandals before they enter the dimly lighted rooms of the club. Most of the men are clean shaven and a few of the women have short hair, while those who have long hair twist their locks about their heads as tightly as possible.

No introductions are ever made. Any member is permitted to talk to any other and to talk freely and openly on any subject. The object of the club is to foster free discussion between men and women. Visitors are occasionally allowed, but they must of course wear the flowing robes and sandals.

The membership is very limited, and a positive requisite is intellectual work of some sort. Most of the members are writers, others are interested in social problems and work on committees, while still others are members of the great band of men and women in London who seem always on the outlook for the very latest thing in fads and fancies.

"Mother, in sending out my birthday invitations, shall I say, 'Your presence is requested'?" "Of course not, my dear; you should say, 'Your presents are requested.'"

## WILD ANIMALS AS PATIENTS

### ONE RULE HOLDS GOOD IN ANIMAL KINGDOM

**Elephants Lavish the Tenderest Affection on Their Young.**

It is curious to see how the great animal world is in many ways a faithful reflection of our own—or is it the other way about? At any rate we find that in the animal world some babies are extremely well and carefully looked after and some have to shift for themselves. And, as with us, it depends on the size of the family.

The turbot, for instance, produces 15,000,000 eggs a year. And we find that in the heart of Mrs. Turbot, says the London Evening Standard, reporting the lecture of Dr. Chalmers Mitchell at the Royal Institute, there is about as much maternal instinct as you would get out of a pebble. All these 15,000,000 olive branches, so to speak, cause not the slightest flutter of pride or affection or anxiety in the maternal breast.

### ELEPHANTS' AFFECTION.

This unnatural mother is among the most prolific of all mothers in the animal world. At the other end of the scale we have the elephant, and see at once how strong is the affection there between young and old. "The greatest naturalist who ever lived, Darwin," said the lecturer, "calculated that the average elephant lived a hundred years and that in that time Mr. and Mrs. Elephant had only six children, on whom they lavished the tenderest affection." It is a much prettier story than that of the turbot.

And yet in spite of the small families natural among elephants, if all the young born to a single pair of elephants lived on and on, these in their turn helping to form families of six every hundred years, we should at the end of 500 years have an elephant family on the earth numbering 15,000,000, and it would be impossible to move for elephants.

In the same way if a single turbot family all went on living, we should be able to walk across the Channel dry shod. Nature has to step in ruthlessly. There is in fact a "prodigious destruction" going on among the youth of the animal world. Nearly all young animals are good to eat, "just as a baby is better than an old gentleman," and herein lies the Spartan secret by which nature relegates all animals, from elephants to turbot, to their proper place in

### THE SCHEME OF THINGS.

Throughout the animal kingdom we find that the one rule holds good—big families mean neglect and small families mean care and attention. The frog produces hundreds of tadpoles and most of these go to make a fine harvest for the ducks. The toad produces a very small family, and these are all fathered (for Mrs. Toad is not at all domesticated) until they are capable of looking after themselves.

Often it is found among the lower animals that the mother will have nothing to do with the upbringing of the young. The seahorse, the stickleback, the toad, and the emu are examples where the father rocks the cradle. It is not a very inspiring list, and throughout the higher animals the mother takes the place intended for her.

There is a moral here for those rare mothers belonging to the highest animals of all who sometimes try to shirk their natural duty and who, without being so heartless as the turbot, do not take the keen interest they should take in the upbringing of their children.

At least let them do as the penguins do, and take it in turns, so that while Mrs. Penguin is at the club Mr. Penguin watches faithfully over the unique egg at home, and then in turn takes his two hours off.

Handling an alligator egg, Chalmers Mitchell explained the attitude of

### THE MOTHER ALLIGATOR.

She is callous as long as the young are in the egg, but so soon as they are hatched in the sand she behaves tenderly to them. There is a story that when the youngsters inside bark loudly, whereupon the mother alligator goes and scratches them up.

But it was hinted that to consume either the egg or the story would need a tolerably large pinch of salt. But the smallest alligator took two home one day and put them for the moment in a small bath in the sitting-room.

A lady visitor who called immediately afterward and was left in the room for a moment had something like hysterics when she heard a deep baying proceeding from a footbath.

Finally Mr. Mitchell gave some hints on wild animals as pets. One must always remember that they

are wild animals and that no wild animal can ever be trusted. The dog has been domesticated through hundreds of years, and, although he might be offending many dog lovers, had all the spirit and confidence knocked out of it. The cat, on the other hand, will only live with you on terms of perfect equality, and, unlike the dog, is not grateful for a beating. And all wild animal pets, said the lecturer, are like the cat, only much more so.

### WOMAN'S TRAVELS IN AFRICA

**Question of Precedence at Black Courts.**

Miss Olive Macleod, who travelled through Nigeria, the German Cameroons and the French Congo to set up a stone on the grave of Lieut. Boyd Alexander, to whom she had been engaged, told how she had travelled close on 4,000 miles in Africa, chiefly on foot and horseback, penetrating to many spots which no white feet had ever trod before, says the London Daily Mail.

What struck one in her gossiping account of her travels was that humanity is very much the same beneath the surface all over the world. A native sultan's court, she said, reminded her very much of a European monarch's.

The court officials had much the same apportionment of duties and quarrelled about precedence in the same way. Black belles wear false tails of hair and pads to make their own appear more luxuriant. Even their little children play marbles in the English style. And when reformers among us advocate certificates of fitness for marriage they are only pleading for a system which obtains among many West African tribes.

The young men of these tribes are tested as to their manliness and endurance by being beaten with strips of leather or by being obliged to climb up the face of an almost perpendicular rock. Unless they satisfy the test they cannot marry. No women would accept them as husbands.

One very interesting point was that the natives pick up English quickly and regard it as "the white man's language." If Frenchmen and Germans cannot speak it they are not looked upon as "proper white men." So general is this view that the German officers and sergeants are obliged to drill their black troops with English words of command.

### NO BRASS BANDS IN ARMY.

**Definite Proposal That They Shall All be Abolished.**

A despatch from London says: The British army without a brass band—such is the doleful prophecy of the Pall Mall Gazette. It says that a definite proposal has been brought forward that all the brass bands of the army, except those of the Guard regiments, shall be abolished, and that the sole music provided for the future shall be that of the drums and fifes and bugles, with the pipers for the Scottish regiments.

Some years ago fresh regulations were made as to the maintenance of regimental bands. The cost of them fell entirely on the officers. The new regulations threw some of the expense on the public purse. But even now it is considered that in a modern, business army the officers should not be liable to this kind of expenditure.

Every officer to-day has to subscribe one day's pay a year to support his regimental band, and that does not cover all his expenses in the matter. Take the case of the Royal Artillery band. The public grant is \$4,500 a year, and the officers of the regiment are called upon to provide a further sum of some \$15,000 annually to maintain their splendid string band.

The suggestion is that if the War Office put an end to this tax on the officers as not being in the best interests of the service the Chancellor of the Exchequer is not likely to provide the whole cost of the military brass bands out of the public purse. And a veteran recruiting sergeant who catches his men by the National Gallery declares that the abolition of the bands will pretty well ruin his business.

### SHIPS OF THE FUTURE.

Sir William White, a leading naval architect, declared recently that the facts that tend to limit the increase in the size of ships are chiefly commercial.

Large ships cost more to build than small ones, and are more expensive to operate. Moreover, they are not so sure of obtaining their complements of passengers or cargo without delay. In addition, comparatively few harbors possess channels of sufficient depth, or docks large enough to accommodate vessels even of the length and weight of the Mauretania. Sir William believes that although large ships will continue to ply between a few favored ports for special services, and even larger ones may be built, the great bulk of ocean traffic will continue to be carried by vessels of moderate size.

## THE SUNDAY SCHOOL STUDY

**INTERNATIONAL LESSON, FEBRUARY 11.**

**Lesson VI.—The boy Jesus in the Temple, Luke 2. 40-52. Golden Text, 2. 40.**

**Verse 40.** The child grew—Developed normally as a human being.

**Waxed strong.**—He was a healthy child, strong both physically and intellectually. The verb wax is still good English, from the Anglo-Saxon weaxan, to assume by degrees a specified state or condition. (Compare the German wachsen, to grow.)

**Filled with wisdom.**—Literally, becoming full of wisdom. The wisdom was a matter of growth as much as was the strength of body and mind.

**His parents went.**—Women were not required to go, but often voluntarily accompanied their husbands and sons.

**The passover.**—Originally a harvest festival, which later was observed also as a memorial of the exodus. Compare Exod. 23. 14-17.

**42.** When he was twelve years old—A time of special significance in every Jewish boy's life, when in a religious sense he reached his majority, becoming himself responsible for obedience to the law and for performing all requirements devolving upon adult males. In other than religious matters, he still remained subject to paternal oversight and authority.

**After the custom.**—In harmony with the custom. This required that the feast be celebrated at Jerusalem by all males. The privilege of attendance was, however, extended to women. This brought about great annual pilgrimages to the national capital at this special season.

**43.** When they had fulfilled the days—Seven days, during which they were required to eat unleavened bread and to observe special ceremonies prescribed for each day. The first and seventh days were set apart for "a holy convocation." Compare Exod. 12. 15-17.

**The boy Jesus tarried behind.**—Absorbed in the interest which the wonderful services and ceremonies of the temple presented.

**44.** Supposing him to be in the company.—The caravan of friends and neighbors who together had journeyed from Nazareth to Jerusalem and who were now returning in the same way. Men, women and children above a certain age would quite naturally be in separate groups.

**A day's journey.**—Perhaps not more than six or eight miles would be covered by such a caravan on the first day of their journey.

**46.** After three days—Counting the first day's journey homeward, a day's journey back to Jerusalem, and another day spent in search for him, in part among their kinsfolk and acquaintance (v. 44), and in part after reaching Jerusalem.

**In the temple.**—Probably in one of the outer chambers which adjoined the courts of the main building, and in which the learned doctors of the law conducted school and held council.

**Teachers—Scribes and rabbis.** Among the famous teachers of this period, some of whom may have been present, were the aged Hillel and Shammai, Rabban Simeon, Gamaliel, Joseph of Arimathea, and Nicodemus.

**Questions.**—On subjects pertaining to the national religion, upon which, as a wide-awake and gifted lad, he had meditated profoundly.

**47.** All that heard him—Including the learned teachers of the law.

**48.** Son—Literally, child. A touch of endearment as well as reproval is evident in the words of Mary.

**49.** How is it coming back for him, but at their not knowing immediately where to look for him.

**In my Father's house.** Or, about my Father's business. Literally, in or about the things of my Father. The boy's question implies an appeal to his past obedience and loyalty to his parents, as well as to their supposed understanding of the fact that in a special sense his was to be a life for God. Mary's early training of her son without doubt contributed much to inculcating this conviction, which now is strengthened and clarified by the enlightenment of the Spirit.

**51.** Was subject unto them—A fact specially mentioned by the evangelist lest from what precedes his readers might infer the contrary.

**52.** Statute—Or, age. Favor—Or, grace. (In connection with this verse compare also comments on verse 40.)

### DIFFERENT TEMPERATURE.

**Ethel.**—"Tell a man your love is growing cold and he won't look up from his paper."

**Helen.**—"But tell him his d' is cold and he'll jump six for



THURSDAY, FEB. 8, 1912

### Garden Lots That Paid

Mr. J. Lockie Wilson, Superintendent of Agricultural Societies, of Toronto, recently visited the Convention of the American Civic Association at Washington. He was much impressed with the manner in which newspaper editors of many of the cities and towns of the United States had interested themselves personally in the work of civic improvement. He heard a most exhaustive and interesting address at this Convention by an Ontario farmer boy from the county of Norfolk, who now occupies the position of city editor of the Minneapolis Tribune, one of the leading morning papers of the Western States.

This Ontario farmer boy said that the Garden Club of Minneapolis planted 325 vacant lots to vegetables and flowers in 1911. It distributed 22,000 packages of nasturtium seeds to children. It cleared 600 acres of rubbish. In all, 1,900 acres were improved. The cost to the Garden Club was \$3,584.43, while the value of the crop was \$11,801.73.

What is the matter with our Ontario young men at home that we cannot carry out a similar work in our cities and towns to a very considerable extent.

Our brother farmer in Minneapolis warns us not to make these gardens a children's project. The proper place for children's gardens is in the schools. The civic gardens on vacant lots were run systematically, says our brother farmer. The work of plowing, harrowing, seeding, was done under proper supervision and instruction, and some valuable prizes were offered. He also tells us not to try to make our gardens self-supporting the first year, although they should be so. Ten feet of flowers along the front of every lot was required, and ready sale was found for the same. For their 325 gardens they employed one Superintendent and six assistants, paying the former \$100 a month, and the latter \$80 a month each, two being dropped the first of June, two more the first of July, and another the first of August, all beginning work about two months before planting time.

Local seed houses planted model vacant lot gardens as an advertisement. Newspapers drew everyone's attention to the work that was going on. All the objections, and many were raised, about dogs and vandals destroying the gardens, lack of water, etc., seemed to be overcome by the pressure of public opinion. Dry farming methods overcame the difficulties of lack of water.

What an object lesson to the people of the city and what a convenience on fete days to be able to secure large quantities of fresh vegetables, sweet corn and all kinds of vegetables, right off the ground, and what an inspiration such work must be to our city brothers. Think of the beauties and comforts they would enjoy if they went back on the land! And what an inspiration it must be to all of the farmers throughout the surrounding country to see their city cousins being engaged in Agriculture within the city limits.

Among the many results through the operation of these gardens the following are worthy of notice:

The gardens developed a healthy tendency to early rising, and the sun rose daily on hundreds of people hoeing, weeding, killing cut worms, or pruning tomato plants, hands dirty, and faces glowing. What health-giving exercises!

After a few acres of weeds and rubbish disappeared. What useful employment this was for the children, who otherwise might never know what it was to grow a cabbage, or learn the life history of a potato bug. What an advertisement it is for progressiveness in any town or city.

The writer asks "what can we do in the towns and cities of Hastings County."

A. D. MCINTOSH.

### Wedding Bells

Under a large white wedding bell, suspended from an arch of smilax, Nellie Norene, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Mothersill, Westmount, Oshawa, was married to the man of her choice, Mr. Howard Bruce MacConnell, of Spring Brook, Ont., at the home of her parents on Wednesday, Jan. 31, 1912. Rev. James Hodges was the officiating clergyman, and the bride was given away by her father.

The bride, who was dressed in white chiffon over silk and carried pink bride's roses, lily of the valley and yellow rose buds and maiden hair fern, was attended by Miss Hilda Beatrice, sister of the bride, who wore white all-over embroidery and carried yellow roses. The house decorations were carried out in white carnations, maiden hair fern and smilax.

About forty friends were present and witnessed the pretty wedding, among whom were these from a distance: Mrs. T. C. MacConnell, Master Tom MacConnell, mother and brother of the groom; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph

### County House of Refuge

In the report of the County Council in last week's issue there was a condensed statement of the Report of the Committee of Management of the House of Refuge. We have been requested to publish the report in full as follows:

To His Honor the Warden and members of the County Council: Gentlemen—Your Board of Management of the County of Hastings House of Refuge beg leave to submit their report:

Average number of inmates for 1911, 72. Average number for previous year, 60. Number of inmates on roll on Dec. 31st, 1911, was 75, as follows—Sidney tp. 6, Thurlow 12, Tyendinaga 9, Rawdon 4, Huntingdon 9, Hungerford 6, Marmora 6, Madoc 2, Elzevir 2, Faraday 1, Dunnannon 2, Mayo 2, Herschel 1, Carlow 1, Deseronto 5, Stirling 4, Madoc 1, Tweed 2, Bancroft 1.

Value of produce from farm to House (as per Sup't report) \$13,86.86.

Total number of meals served during the year 85,155.

The farm produced during 1911 as follows:

500 bushels of oats at 45c.	\$225.00
24 bushels of beans at \$2.50.	60.00
12 tons of hay at \$15.	180.00
35 tons of corn at \$3.00.	105.00
12 loads of straw at \$4.00.	48.00
Cash sales.	224.23
Live stock increase (1 calf).	12.00
Two Brood Sows at \$15.	30.00
Provisions from farm used in House.	1886.86
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,271.09</b>

Amount received from pay patients.

Amount received from 7 cows.

Amount received from 85 hens.

Cost of House of Refuge for 1911 as per Treasurer's books—

Farm machinery, furniture and equipments, provisions, fuel, light, water, salaries, wages, various expenditures, and permanent improvements.

Total \$6,734.55.

Your committee are pleased to report that this House of Refuge is well and capably managed, and much credit is due Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Wilson for the excellent condition of everything pertaining to the same. All of which is respectfully submitted.

Board of Management:

W. H. KELLA, Chairman.

JAS. DRYDEN, Warden.

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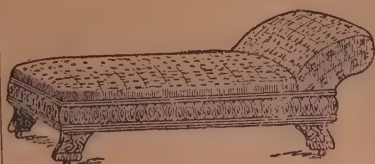
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### Of More Importance.

Betty may not be very worldly wise, but she is practical. She knows enough to take a common sense view of things sentimental as well as material. So when she listened to the proposal of the young man she is fond of she couldn't help saying what she did.

"If you reject me, Betty dear," he urged, in a final appeal, "I shall never, never love another. It will be the end."

"And if I accept you," she asked, "does the same thing hold good?"

### The Way He Felt.

A distinguished theologian was invited to make an address before a Sunday school. The divine spoke for over an hour and his remarks were of too deep a character for the average juvenile mind to comprehend. At the conclusion the superintendent, according to custom, requested an appropriate hymn to be sung.

"Sing 'Revive Us Again,'" shouted a boy in the rear of the room.

### Easily Explained.

"He appeared to me to be a man of high moral principle with a keen anxiety over the future life."

"Er! Why, he's nothing of the sort."

"Well, well! Come to think of it, I believe he was under the impression at that time that he was suffering from an incurable organic disease and had but a few months to live."

### Sure Thing.

Teacher—Suppose your father gave your mother \$5 and then took \$3 back what would that make? Willie—Trouble.—London Answers.



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## PERSONALS.

W. H. Mutchin and wife are both sick  
with La Grippe.

Mrs. W. H. Rolner, Redonville, spent  
Sunday at the home of Mrs. Jas. Currie.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Seeley are visiting  
friends in Prince Edward County.

Miss Ida Spry and J. Wescott are at-  
tending the E. I. convention in Belleville.

Miss Kathleen Moore, The Rectory, left  
on Wednesday to spend some weeks in  
Toronto.

Mr. B. Emmons and little son spent  
the week end with Mrs. Emmons and  
Rev. and Mrs. L. S. Wright.

Rev. B. F. Byers is in Kingston this  
week attending the Diocesan committee  
meetings. Mr. Sutcliffe will conduct the  
morning service in St. John's church on  
Sunday, February 11th.

Misses D. Caldwell, A. Clarke and V. L.  
Uman, and Rev. L. S. Wright, are repre-  
senting Stirling E. L. of C. E. at the 10th  
Biennial Convention of the Bay of Quinte  
Conference Epworth Leagues, being held  
in Bridge St. church, Belleville, this week.

## COMMUNICATION

To the Editor of the News-Argus.

Dear Sir—I have been waiting for an  
abler pen than mine to voice the sen-  
timents of the public re the bread  
question. Now, Sir, I, with a good  
many others, would like to know why  
some bakers are allowed to disregard  
the laws of the land without a protest.  
Now, one don't mind a two-ounce  
shortage, but when it comes to a half  
pound off a three-pound loaf, I think  
anyone has a right to protest. Now,  
if a farmer takes 75 lbs. of potatoes for  
100 lbs., or 12 ozs. of butter for 1 lb.,  
or 10 eggs for 1 doz., to Mr. Baker,  
and wants pay for full weight or num-  
ber, he will say "No, take pay for  
what you bring or take them home  
again." And justly so. Now will  
some one tell us what better right has  
he to nip off a half a pound of what  
the law says shall be a 3 lb. loaf.  
What is sauce for the goose is sauce  
for the gander. He may say, "You  
don't have to buy my bread." But  
that is not so. There are people in  
the country who have to take it or  
none. Mr. Editor, will you please  
give us through the columns of the  
News-Argus what the law is on this  
question, and how it is to be enforced.  
I send you a clipping from a Toronto  
paper, which please print.

BRITISH FAIR PLAY.

Jan. 20th, 1912.

The following is the clipping re-  
ferred to:

## The Bread Question

To the Editor of the Globe: Regarding  
Mr. Deupstet's letters telling us, the  
readers of the Globe, about the British  
bread trade, he might have gone a little  
further and said that all bread sellers  
must carry weights and scales, and when  
you ask for a two pound loaf it must be  
weighed, and the same with a four-pound  
loaf, and any loaves under two, or four  
pounds are sold by weight and rolls. He  
also refers to Canadian flour. I, also have  
had a little experience in England, and I  
don't think they trouble where the flour  
comes from, if it is cheap and makes good  
bread. And in England, those who make  
the best bread and give you weight for  
your money generally sell the most.

A CONSUMER.

Aug. 30th.

The Dominion Government has de-  
cided to do away with the four-dollar  
bill.

Do you know that more real danger  
lurks in a common cold than in any other  
of the minor ailments? The safe way is  
to take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, a  
thoroughly reliable preparation, and let  
yourself of the cold as quickly as possible.  
This remedy is for sale by all dealers.

## The Palms

Don't forget our special of Corona-  
tion Cins—a chance for you to remem-  
ber the coronation of our King and  
Queen.

All our Dinner Sets, Tea Sets,  
Fancy China, etc., at reduced prices  
to clear before stock-taking.

## A FEW SPECIALS FROM OUR GROCERY COUNTER

Rolls Wheat, 8 lbs. for.....	25c.
Rolls Oats, 8 lbs. for.....	25c.
Corn Meal, 7 lbs. for.....	25c.
Corn Flakes, 3 pgs.....	25c.
Shredded Wheat, 2 pgs.....	25c.
Best Seeded Raisins, 2 pgs.....	25c.
Cleaned Currants, 3 lbs.....	25c.
Choice Prunes, 2 lbs.....	25c.
4 Crown Figs, 2 lbs.....	25c.
Dates, 3 lbs.....	25c.
Pure Castile Soap, 2 lbs.....	25c.
Empire Soap, 10 bars.....	25c.
Maple Syrup, per qt.....	25c.
Pure Maple Sugar, per cask.....	10c.

All kinds of Produce taken.

J. L. ASHLEY

Goods promptly delivered. Phone 31

## ADVERTISING NOTICES

In the local column will be charged as follows:  
To Regular Advertisers—Three lines and un-  
der, 25 cents each insertion; over three lines,  
75c. per line. Matter set in larger than ordi-  
nary type, 10c. per line.  
To Transient Advertisers—10c. per line each  
insertion. No insertion less than 25c.

## RAILWAY TIME TABLE.

Trains enlil Stirling station as follows:  
GOING WEST. GOING EAST.  
Mail & Ex. 6.05 a.m. Passenger. 10.57 a.m.  
Passenger. 3.45 p.m. Mail & Ex. 8.41 p.m.

## The Stirling News-Argus.

THURSDAY, FEB. 8, 1912

## LOCAL MATTERS.

Every little town has a knocker of  
its own—is it you.

The ladies of St. John's church will  
hold their annual Pancake Tea in the  
Masonic Hall on Tuesday evening,  
Feb. 20th. Do not miss it.

The High School concert in the  
Opera House on Friday evening last  
was a most excellent one, and was at-  
tended by a crowded house. All the  
different numbers were well rendered,  
and the audience was well pleased.  
The proceeds amounted to \$120.25.

The regular monthly meeting of the  
W. M. S. of the Methodist Church  
will meet in the parlour on Tues-  
day afternoon, Feb. 13th, at 3 o'clock.  
A full attendance is specially request-  
ed as important business is to be dis-  
cussed. Visitors welcome.

At the meeting of the official quar-  
terly board of Stirling Circuit, on  
Monday last, a resolution was unani-  
mously passed inviting Rev. L. S.  
Wright, to remain as pastor for the  
next conference year. There was a  
large attendance of the members of  
board present.

The Florence Nightingale Mission  
Circle of the Methodist Church will  
give a Valentine Social in the Sunday  
School Room on Tuesday evening,  
February 13th. A good program is  
being prepared. Refreshments will  
be served, also home-made candy will  
be offered for sale. Admission 10c.

Rev. S. S. Burns, B. A., formerly a  
pastor of the Presbyterian church in  
this village, and now a resident of Tor-  
onto, has received a call to St. John's  
Presbyterian Church, Brockville. His  
last charge was at Lakefield, where he  
resigned to take a post graduate  
course at Princeton University. Mr.  
Burns is a graduate of Queen's.

On Monday evening, a party of  
snow-shoers found their way to the  
home of Mr. and Mrs. John Bateman.  
After spending a thoroughly enjoy-  
able evening and doing ample justice  
to the good things provided, three  
heavy cheers were given for the host  
and hostess, and after wishing them  
every happiness in their new home,  
the tramp homeward was begun  
about midnight.

Many people in town fail to observe  
the Snow By-law which requires that  
every owner or occupant shall remove  
the snow and ice from the sidewalk,  
full width of walk, in front of his  
premises within twenty-four hours,  
and on corner lots, half way across the  
street on crossings. On streets where  
there is a sidewalk on one side only,  
the property on the opposite side is  
responsible for its proportion. Fail-  
ing to comply with this law, the Coun-  
cil may have the work done and re-  
turn it as a special tax against the  
property.

## Hockey

The most hotly contested game of  
the season was played on Stirling rink  
last evening between Marmora and  
Stirling teams. The Marmora team  
with a number of others came down  
by special train to Anson, and did  
not arrive here until about 9.30 p.m.,  
and consequently it was near midnight  
before the end of the game. At the  
close of the first half the score was  
1-2 in favor of Stirling, and in the  
second half Stirling won two goals  
and Marmora one, leaving the score at  
the close 4-3 in favor of Stirling. This  
places Stirling in the lead in the  
league games. There were a large  
number of spectators, and our boys  
received many congratulations on  
their victory.

## Skating Carnival

The following is a list of the prize-  
winners at the skating carnival held  
on Wednesday, Jan. 31st:

Lady in best costume—Bessie Ash- ley.
Best Lady Skater—Florence Lynn.
Best Girl Skater under sixteen— Jean Thrasher.
Comic Lady—Edna Marchand.
Married Couple—E. Eggleton and Marguerite Whitty.
Five Times Around Rink—Jennie Descent, 1st; M. Meiklejohn, 2nd.
Gentleman in Best Costume—Char- lie Haig.
Best Skater in Costume—V. Rice.
Comic Gentleman—B. Donnan.
Best Costume of Boys under 16 B. Boulton.
Best Clown R. Bissonnette.
Ten Times Around Rink—E. Foster.

## Village Council

The regular meeting of the village  
council was held on Monday, Feb. 6th.  
Members all present.

Moved by Meiklejohn, seconded by  
Moon, that the council adjourn to  
room in T. H. McKee's block where  
future meetings shall be held.  
Carried.

Minutes of last meeting were read,  
and on motion approved.

The following accounts were pre-  
sented:

Mr. Sutherland, wood for Town Hall.....	\$ 6.00
H. Ikey, work at Town Hall.....	3.00
H. Ikey, work at Fire Hall.....	5.00
F. A. Sprentall, Elec. light.....	70
Canadian Gen. Elec. Co., elec. tric construction.....	2.00
Stirling Corporation Elec. Dep't. January street lighting.....	80.00
Stirling Corporation Elec. Dep't. January Fire Hall.....	1.21
Stirling Corporation Elec. Dep't. January Opera House.....	4.00

Moved by Wright, seconded by Ash-  
ley, that the above accounts be paid.  
Carried.

Moved by Moon, seconded by Ash-  
ley, that the secretary communicate  
with our local member asking his sup-  
port to a bill to tax Departmental  
stores doing a mail order business in  
the municipality similar to the bill  
proposed by the Goderich Board of  
Trade. Carried.

Moved by Ashley, seconded by  
Meiklejohn that no rebates be allowed  
on electric lighting after January 1st,  
1912. The following rebates be  
allowed on 1911 lighting:

L. Meiklejohn.....	\$2.61
W. R. Mather.....	2.88
Dr. Walt.....	23
Jas. Ralph.....	11
W. Barrigan.....	3.19

Moved by Moon, seconded by Ash-  
ley that the following rebates on 1911  
taxes be made:

W. J. Spry.....	\$10.50
J. Dawkins.....	3.00
Geo. Ross.....	1.00

Carried.  
Mr. Thrasher addressed the council  
re rebate on J. Dawkins' taxes on Mill  
property for 1911.

Moved by Meiklejohn, seconded by  
Ashley, that no action be taken in the  
matter. Carried.

Moved by Meiklejohn, seconded by  
Coulter, that the Street Committee  
proceed to notify property owners to  
remove snow and ice from sidewalks  
opposite their property and in default  
to have the work done. Carried.  
On motion Council adjourned.

## Wedding Bells

On Tuesday evening, Jan. 30th, a  
very pretty home wedding was solemn-  
ized at Clover Dale Farm, namely,  
the marriage of Spray Mabel, eldest  
daughter of Mr. and Mrs. N. B. White,  
to Willie Allen Bush, son of Mr. and  
Mrs. Wm. M. Bush, of the 8th con.,  
Sidney.

Promptly at 8 o'clock, to the strains  
of the bridal chorus, played by Miss  
Edith Bush, sister of the groom, the  
bride and groom entered the drawing  
room, and took their places beneath a  
white floral bell, and arch of ever-  
greens. The bride was given away by  
her father, and looked very charming  
in a dress of white messaline silk with  
fringe trimmings, while at the bodice  
she wore a beautiful satin rose and  
the usual veil and orange blossoms.  
The bridesmaid, Miss Carrie White,  
sister of the bride, was dressed in pale  
pink silk mull, with lace trimmings.  
The bride and bridesmaid carried  
large bouquets of white and pink car-  
nations. The groom was ably sup-  
ported by his brother, Alex. The  
Rev. E. E. Howard, of Bayside, per-  
formed the ceremony. After the  
usual congratulations, the guests num-  
bering about sixty, then repaired to  
the dining room, which was tastefully  
decorated in pink and white. The  
high esteem in which the bride was  
held was shown by the many beauti-  
ful and costly gifts she received. The  
groom's gift to the bride was a beau-  
tiful pearl crescent; to the bridesmaid,  
a gold band bracelet, and to the  
groomsmen gold cuff links. The happy  
couple left amid showers of con-  
fetti for Toronto and Oshawa. The  
bride's going-away suit was blue serge  
with blue satin hat, and pink roses.  
On their return, a reception was  
given them at the home of the groom's  
parents. The guests, about seventy-  
five in number, sat down to a sumptu-  
ous repast after which the evening  
was spent in games and music. The  
young couple will reside in Prince Ed-  
ward County. We wish them every  
future happiness and prosperity in  
their voyage through life.

## Latest Picture of Borden

This is the season to subscribe for a  
newspaper, or to renew it if already a  
subscriber. Our paper is as good as  
any and better than many. Why  
not take it?

It represents the welfare and pro-  
gress of the community and district  
with which it is identified, and is  
apart from its local value, an all-  
round, up-to-date newspaper.  
The recent change of Government  
has made the Hon. Mr. Borden the  
central figure of Canadian public life.  
Many would like a good picture of  
him. We can supply one FREE.  
We will send anyone our paper for a  
year, and The Weekly Mail and En-  
quire, (the regular rate of which is  
\$1.00 per year) for the same period,  
the two together, to include free pic-  
ture of the new Canadian Premier,  
for \$1.75.

The Borden picture is on fine paper  
suitable for framing, in photo tint,  
18 x 24 inches, and in itself, as a  
work of art, easily worth the price of  
a year's subscription to either paper.  
Send all orders to office of this paper.

## Todd—Maybee Nuptials

On Wednesday, 24th inst., Miss Iven  
Helen Maybee was united in marriage  
to Mr. Wilfred C. Todd, son of Mr.  
and Mrs. C. W. Todd, of Seymour  
East. The ceremony was solemnized  
at the bride's home at 9 a.m., by the  
Rev. A. J. H. Strike. The bride was  
unattended and looked very charming  
in a tailored suit of blue broadcloth.  
The groom's gift to the bride was a  
gold watch and chain. The flower  
decorations were pink and white car-  
nations. The wedding was very quiet  
and only a few of the most immediate  
friends were present.

The bride, who is an admirable  
young woman, will be greatly missed  
by the young people of the Methodist  
church. She is the only daughter of  
the late Mr. Frank Maybee and Mrs.  
Maybee of town.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Todd left on  
the 9.56 a. m. train for a short honey-  
moon trip. They will reside in East  
Seymour.—Campbellford Herald.

For a sprain you will find Chamberlain's  
Liniment excellent. It relays the pain, re-  
moves the soreness, and soon restores the  
parts to a healthy condition. 25 and 50  
cent bottles for sale by all dealers.

## Deaths

BATEMAN—At Spring Brook, on Feb. 6th,  
Mary Ann Bateman, wife of Mr. Joseph Bateman,  
aged 51 years, 4 months and 24 days.

MURPHY—In Rawdon, on January 29th, 1912,  
Joseph Murphy, aged 78 years.

RYAN—In Stirling, on February 5th, Mar-  
garet Ryan, aged 71 years.

## GOOD DRIVER FOR SALE

Coming five years old. Well bred and  
quiet. For particulars apply to  
EDWARD SCARLETT,  
Wellman's Corners.

## For Sale

The south half of Lot 5, Con. 9, Sidney  
township, said to contain about 80 acres.  
For particulars apply to  
NORMAN GREEN,  
Gilmour P. O., Ont.

## NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

I wish to state that I intend carrying on  
the Marble and general business here un-  
der the name of the Stirling Marble  
Works. Thanking one and all for their  
liberal support in the past, I hope to re-  
ceive your patronage in the future. Mr.  
John Tanner will act as agent for me.  
JOHN MOORE.

Stirling, Feb. 8th, 1912.

## In The High Court of Justice

Re Farmer's Co-Operative Store, Ltd.

Tenders will be received by A. A. Mc-  
Donald, Esq., of Marmora, Solicitor for  
the Liquidator, until the 17th February,  
instant, for the purchase of the outstand-  
ing book accounts and notes owing to the  
said Company.  
Particulars can be obtained from A. H.  
Reid, Liquidator, and A. A. McDonald, at  
Marmora.  
Dated 5th February, 1912.  
S. S. LAZIER,  
Master.

## Dissolution of Partnership

Notice is hereby given that the part-  
nership heretofore existing between the  
undersigned under the firm name of Moore  
& Campbell has this day been dissolved  
by mutual consent. All debts due the  
said firm must be settled by note or cash  
at the Bank of Montreal, Stirling.  
Dated Feb. 1st, 1912.  
JOHN MOORE  
JOHN CAMPBELL.

R. M. Whylock, Witness.

## BUY FLORIDA LAND—Why?

BECAUSE:  
1. It is very productive. 2. It is not hot in  
summer and their winter is June weather.  
3. Your buildings do not cost one-quarter of  
Northern Farm Buildings.  
4. You save your large winter fuel bill.  
5. You do not work all summer to winter  
your live stock.  
6. It grows crops the year round: THREE  
CROPS in the year.  
7. Your crops are ready to market when the  
rest of the continent is in the dead of  
winter.  
8. Splendid markets. 9. Regular and plenty  
of rainfall.  
10. Pure water easily obtained.  
11. Healthful climate—Cures rheumatism and  
tuberculosis.  
WE HAVE 12,000 ACRES FOR SALE—ALL  
WITHIN 1 TO 3 MILES OF RAILWAY STATION  
Write for full particulars and illustrated  
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TERMS EASY

Address:  
FLORIDA COLONIZATION CO., LIMITED,  
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## FREE SHORT COURSES

IN  
Live Stock and Seed Judging  
WILL BE HELD IN STIRLING ON  
Wednesday, Thursday & Friday,  
February 14, 15 and 16

The object of the Course is: To give  
training in the judging of Horses, Cattle,  
Swine and Seed Grain. The very highest  
types of animals and grains available will  
be used by the Lecturers to illustrate the  
desirable as well as the undesirable in  
Live Stock and Seed selection.

## PROGRAMME:

WEDNESDAY, Feb. 14, 1.30 to 4.30, p. m.,  
Dairy Cattle, H. S. Stevenson, Ancaster.  
THURSDAY, Feb. 15, 9.30 to 12.00, a. m.,  
Swine, R. F. Moller, High School.  
1.30 to 4.30 p. m., Seeds, T. G. Raynor,  
Ottawa.  
FRIDAY, Feb. 16, 9.30 to 12.00, a. m., Light  
Horses, Dr. H. G. Reid, Georgetown.  
1.30 to 4.30 p. m., Heavy Horses, Dr. H.  
G. Reid, Georgetown.

A large tent has been secured and will  
be erected near the High School, Stirling.  
No trouble or expense will be spared to  
make everyone comfortable. The tent  
will be well heated and well lighted.

Admission to all sessions is FREE, and  
everybody is welcome. As a similar  
Course in Madoc last year 300 people at-  
tended. Come out and help the largest  
Agricultural Class in the Province to  
make this Course a success.

# G. W. ANDERSON

In order to make room for  
our New Spring Stock we are  
starting on

Saturday, Feb. 10th

OUR

## Great Annual Discount Sale

All Winter Goods will be sold  
at prices greatly below cost.  
See large bills for particulars of  
this Sale. Also see bills for par-  
ticulars of the

## GREAT GUESSING CONTEST

which we will run in connection  
with this Sale.

SPECIAL—During this Sale we  
will pay 33 cents per pound for  
Fresh Roll Butter.

# G. W. ANDERSON

Phone 29

Goods delivered promptly.

## BIG CLEARING SALE

We are still giving BIG DISCOUNTS to clear out the balance of our  
WINTER FOOTWEAR

Now is your chance to save from 20 to 25 per cent.

Our policy is to not carry over any Winter Goods, as we need the space  
for our new Spring Shoes which are beginning to arrive.

## BIG BARGAINS

In OVERSHOES, FELT BOOTS, HEAVY RUBBERS, HOCKEY  
BOOTS, ETC.

## J. W. BROWN

Anyone presenting this advertisement to us on Saturday, February 10th,  
will receive one bottle of Shoe Dressing.

## STOCK FOOD

INTERNATIONAL AND DR. HESS

These are two of the greatest Stock Foods on earth.  
They will keep your Colts, Calves and Pigs thrifty and grow-  
ing rapidly in the coldest weather.

The DISTEMPER CURES are guaranteed to cure  
Coughs, Colds and Distemper.

The LOUSE KILLER will rid your hen house and  
poultry of Lice.

## SKATES

We have a few pair left and are offering a discount of 20  
per cent.

Phone 25. **McGEE & LAGROW**

## For Sale

Two pure bred Holstein Bull Calves.  
Also two grade Cows.

GEORGE M. SHARP.

143w Lot 17, con. 4, Rawdon.

## THE BEST COAL



# FOURTEEN MEN DROWNED

## A Submarine Collided Off Portsmouth With Gunboat Hazard

A despatch from Portsmouth says: The total loss on Friday morning of the British submarine "A 3," with the whole of her crew, after collision with the gunboat Hazard, adds another to the long list of similar accidents which have in recent years thrown the British navy and nation into mourning. The crew of eleven men on board the little vessel, which is one of the older class, was composed of volunteers from the men of the fleet, as is the case with the complements of all submarines. Besides the regular crew of ten men and a lieutenant who were on board the "A 3" the Admiralty states three other

Lieutenants were on the vessel going through a course of instruction and were in the submarine when she sank, making a total of 14 deaths. The submarine "A 3," which went out of the harbor on Friday morning to carry out a series of diving and torpedo exercises, sank like a stone immediately after her collision. The submarine lies on the Princess Shoal, almost on the same spot where the submarine "A 1" was lost, with all hands, on March 18, 1910. Torpedo practice had been in progress for some time and the submarine "A 3" was partially submerged when she came into collision.

### BANK MESSENGER ROBBED.

#### Another Daring Theft on Paris Street in Daylight.

A despatch from Paris, France, says: Another attack upon a bank messenger took place on Wednesday, and the robber escaped with about \$30,000. The bank messenger, or garçon de recette, as he is known here, was making his way along the Passage Meslay at 9 o'clock on Wednesday morning when a man approached him. After a short struggle the aggressor threw pepper into the eyes of the messenger. He then pinned his arms behind his back and threw him to the pavement. He extracted a case of notes to the value of 150,000 francs from the messenger's pocket. An effort is being made to prevent further attacks upon these messengers.

### HOTELER BURNED ALIVE.

#### Clothes Caught Fire While Alone in Stratford Hotel Stables.

A despatch from Stratford says: In a small fire of mysterious origin at the City Hotel stables on Thursday afternoon, Robert McEwen, one of the hoteliers, lost his life. In some manner his clothes caught fire while he was alone in the barn, through which he ran, blazing from head to foot, to fall into the arms of his father, who had just come out of the hotel, and succumb. Deceased, who was forty-five years of age and of splendid physique, was burned almost to a crisp. The stable was very little damaged, and the horses, seventeen in number, were all gotten out safely.

### LONE MAN HELD UP 30 PEOPLE

#### Daring Work of Unmasked Bandit in Vancouver.

A despatch from Vancouver, B. C., says: The most spectacular and the boldest hold-up in the city's recent wave of crime occurred shortly after 9 o'clock on Thursday night when a lone bandit armed, but unmasked, entered McIntyre's cafe in Seymour street, one of the largest in the city, and flourished his revolver at the heads of thirty men and women seated at the tables. The bandit had apparently awaited his opportunity, which came when the cashier was called to the telephone. He dashed through the front door, made his haul in a few moments and disappeared.



## BLACK KNIGHT STOVE POLISH

Has the "Black Knight" come to your home? Let him show you the quick and easy way to shine the stoves.

"Black Knight" takes all the hard work and dirty work out of stove polishing. It's a paste—so there is no watery mixture to be prepared.

Just a few rubs with cloth or brush brings a mirror-like shine that "you can see your face in." And the shine lasts!

Most dealers handle and recommend "Black Knight" Stove Polish. If your dealer cannot supply it, send for a big can—sent postpaid.

THE F. D. DALEY CO. LIMITED, Hamilton, Ont.

### THE CARELESS GROCER

#### Blundered, and Great Good Came of It.

A careless grocer left the wrong package at a Michigan home one day and thereby brought a great blessing to the household.

"Two years ago I was a sufferer from stomach trouble, so acute that the effort to digest ordinary food gave me great pain, and brought on a condition of such extreme nervousness that I could not be left alone. I thought I should be reduced to a living skeleton. The doctors failed to give me relief and I despaired of recovery.

"One day our groceryman left a package of Grape-Nuts food by mistake, so I tried some for dinner. I was surprised to find that it satisfied my appetite and gave me no distress whatever. The next meal I ate of it again, and to be brief, I have lived for the past year almost exclusively on Grape-Nuts. It has proved to be a most healthful and appetizing food, perfectly adapted to the requirements of my system.

"Grape-Nuts is not only easily digested and assimilated, but I find that since I have been using it I am able to eat anything else my appetite fancies, without trouble from indigestion. The stomach trouble and nervousness have left me, I have regained my plumpness and my views of life are no longer despondent and gloomy.

"Other members of my family, especially my husband, (whose old enemy 'heart-burn,' has been vanquished) have also derived great benefit from the use of Grape-Nuts food and we think no morning meal complete without it." Name given by Canadian Postum Co., Windsor, Ont.

"There's a reason," and it is explained in the little book, "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs.

Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.

### ROBBED BY THUGS.

#### Montreal Man Victim of a Daring Hold-up.

A despatch from Montreal says: A hold-up of a most desperate type took place on St. Antoine street on Thursday evening, when Isaac Cooper of Point St. Charles was waylaid by two young highwaymen, assaulted and robbed. One of the thugs struck Cooper over the head with a sandbag, and then held him by the throat against a wall while the other went through his pockets, only securing a few keys, however. The thugs escaped.

### INCREASE IN CUSTOMS.

#### Receipts for January Reached Total of \$6,308,193.84.

A despatch from Ottawa says: The Customs receipts for the month of January show an increase of over three quarters of a million as compared with the revenues for the corresponding period of the last fiscal year. The receipts totalled \$6,308,193.84 as against \$5,783,829.68, an increase of \$524,364.16. The increase for the ten months amounts to the gratifying sum of \$11,359,944.17, the figures being for 1911-12, \$70,268,252.03, and for 1910-11, \$58,908,307.91.

### EMPEROR'S EQUINE GUEST.

An animal belonging to the Roman Emperor Caligula was stabled in a palace in a stall of marble, fed at an ivory manger with gilded oats, and was guarded when asleep by soldiers. And every day it went to dine with the Emperor. When the Roman Emperor died, it was buried with royal honors, and a mausoleum was erected to its memory. Yet another famous horse of history belonged to Alexander the Great. It would be well to allow its master to mount, and more than once it saved his life by its fleetness.

### PRICES OF FARM PRODUCTS

#### REPORTS FROM THE LEADING TRADE CENTRES OF AMERICA.

#### Prices of Cattle, Grain, Cheese and Other Produce at Home and Abroad.

##### BREADSTUFFS.

Toronto, Feb. 6.—Flour—Winter wheat, 99 per cent. patents, \$3.60 to \$3.65 at sea-board. Manitoba flour—First patents, \$5.50; second patents, \$5; and strong bakers', \$4.80, on track, Toronto. Manitoba Wheat—No. 1 Northern, \$1.12; Bay ports, No. 2 Northern at \$1.09, and No. 3 at \$1.05; Bay ports, Ontario Wheat—No. 2 white, red and mixed, 95c, outside. Peas—Good shipping peas, \$1.15, outside.

Oats—Car lots of No. 2 Ontario 44c, and of No. 3 at 42 1/2 to 43c, outside. No. 2, 46 1/2c, on track, Toronto. No. 2 Western Canada oats, 49 1/2 to 50c, and No. 1 feed, 46c, Bay ports. Barley—48 lbs. 94 to 95c, outside. Corn—No. 3 American yellow, 71 1/2 to 72c, Toronto freight. Rye—\$1.04 to \$1.05, outside. Buckwheat—67 to 68c, outside. Bran—Manitoba bran, \$24, in bags, Toronto freight. Shorts, \$25.50 to \$26.

### COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Apples—Winter stock, \$2.75 to \$2.50 per barrel. Beans—Small lots of hand-picked, \$2.35 to \$2.40 per bushel. Honey—Extracted, in tins, 11 to 12c per lb. Combs, \$2.50 to \$2.75. Baled Hay—No. 1 at \$16.50 to \$17, on track, and No. 2 at \$14 to \$15. Baled Straw—\$8 to \$9, on track, Toronto.

Potatoes—Car lots in bags, \$1.55, and Delawares at \$1.60 to \$1.70. Out-of-store, \$1.65 to \$1.75.

Poultry—Wholesale prices of choice dressed poultry—Chickens, 15 to 17c per lb.; fowl, 13 to 14c; ducks, 15 to 16c; geese, 13 to 14c; turkeys, 15 to 16c; geese, 13 to 15c; turkeys, 20 to 21c. Live poultry about 2c lower than the above.

### BUTTER, EGGS, CHEESE.

Butter—Dairy, choice, in wrappers, 22 to 30c; large rolls, 22 to 29c, and inferior, 18 to 19c. Creamery quoted at 24 to 35c for rolls, and 22 to 33c for solids, per lb. Eggs—Fresh-gathered, delivered here, 35c, in case lots. Cheese—Large quoted at 16c, and twins at 16 1/2c per lb.

### HOG PRODUCTS.

Bacon—Long clear, 11 1/2 to 11 3/4c per lb., in case lots. Pork—Short cut, \$22.50; do, mess, \$19.50 to \$20. Hams—Medium to light, 16 to 16 1/2c; heavy, 14 to 14 1/2c; rolls, 10 1/2 to 11c; breakfast bacon, 16 to 17c; backs, 19 to 20c. Lard—Tierces, 11 1/4c; tubs, 12c; pails, 12 1/4c.

### MONTREAL MARKETS.

Montreal, Feb. 6.—Oats—Canadian Western, No. 2, 50 1/2 to 51c; do, No. 3, 48 1/2 to 49c; extra No. 1 feed, 49 1/2 to 50c; No. 2 local white, 48 to 49 1/2c; do, No. 3, 47 to 47 1/2c; do, No. 4, 46 to 46 1/2c. Barley—Malt, 98c to \$1.00. Buckwheat—No. 2, 72 to 73c. Flour—Manitoba Spring wheat patents, firsts, \$5.60; do, seconds, \$5.10; do, strong bakers', \$4.90; Winter patents, choice, \$4.85 to \$5.10; straight rollers, \$4.40 to \$4.50; do, bags, \$2.05 to \$2.15. Rolled oats—Barrels, \$4.85; do, bags 90 lbs., \$2.30. Bran, \$23 to \$24. Shorts, \$25 to \$26. Middlings, \$28. Mouille, \$28 to \$34. Hay—No. 2, per ton, car lots, \$15 to \$15 1/2c; do, easterns, \$14 1/2 to 15c. Butter—Choice creamery, 33 to 34c; do, seconds, 32 to 32 1/2c. Eggs—Fresh, 45 to 50c; do, selected, 38 to 40c; do, No. 1 stock, 33 to 35c. Potatoes, per bag, car lots, \$1.70.

### UNITED STATES MARKETS.

Minneapolis, Feb. 6.—Cash wheat—No. 1 hard, \$1.06 1/2; No. 1 Northern, \$1.05 1/2 to \$1.06; No. 2 Northern, \$1.03 1/2 to \$1.04; No. 3 wheat, \$1.01 1/2 to \$1.02; May, \$1.06 to \$1.06 1/2; July, \$1.06 3/4 to \$1.06 7/8. Corn—No. 3 yellow, 64c. Oats—No. 3 white, 48 7/8c. Rye—No. 2, 85c. Bran—\$24.50 to \$24.75. Flour—First patents, \$5.20 to \$5.50; second patents, \$4.85 to \$5.10; first clears, \$4.60 to \$4.85; second clears, \$2.50 to \$2.90. Buffalo, Feb. 6.—Spring wheat—No. 1 Northern, carloads, store, \$1.16 1/4; Winter, No. 2 red, \$1.03; No. 3 red, \$1.00; No. 2 white, \$1.03. Corn—No. 3 yellow, 70c; No. 4 yellow, 68 1/2c, all on track through bill. Oats—No. 2 white, 55 1/2c; No. 3 white, 55c; No. 4 white, 54c. Barley—Malt, \$1.20 to \$1.35.

### LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

Montreal, Feb. 6.—Butchers' cattle, choice, \$5.50 to \$6.75; do, medium, \$4 to \$5.50; do, common, \$3 to \$3.75; butchers' cattle, choice cows, \$4.75 to \$5.25; do, medium, \$3 to \$4.50; do, bulls, \$3 to \$5; milkers, choice, each, \$75 to \$80; do, com. and medium, each, \$50 to \$60. Springers, \$50 to \$45. Sheep, ewes, \$4.50 to \$4.75; bucks and culls, \$3.75 to \$4.25; lambs, \$5.00 to \$7. Hogs, Feb. 7 to \$7.25. Calves, \$3 to \$12.

Toronto, Feb. 6.—Good to choice fat hogs and hams, and all kinds of fresh meat, and butcher's waste from \$2.00 to \$2.50. Cattle—The market was quiet and no business was done. Sheep and lambs were quiet. Hops were a shade firmer at \$2.25 and some trade. Other stock was unchanged. There was a group of about 200 for seed stock at \$1.50 to \$1.75. Common stock was drab.

### MAKING SAFE INVESTMENTS

#### RAILROAD EQUIPMENT BONDS ARE EVEN SAFER THAN RAILROAD MORTGAGE BONDS.

During Bad Times of Railroad Financing No Equipment Bondholder Has Lost Principal or Interest—Equipment Movable and Can Be Sold to Other Companies—Railroads Cannot Operate Without Cars—Courts Have Ruled to Class Them with Preferred Claims Ahead of Mortgage Bonds.

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(By "Investor.")

It is evident from what was said last week that equipment bonds differ in two important respects from all other classes of railroad issues. First, the title to the property which secures the bonds does not vest in the railroad (but with a trustee); and secondly, the property is movable and not fixed in any one locality. As a result of these two points, the holders of equipment bonds are in a decided way more advantageously placed than the holders of the mortgage bonds in the event of the railroad becoming bankrupt.

"If a railroad is unable to meet its interest charges," writes an authority, "the mortgage bondholders can rarely do better than have a receiver appointed who will operate the railroad in their interest; but if, with honest and efficient management, the railroad cannot be made to earn its interest charges, the mortgage bondholders usually have to consent to the selling of their bonds to a point where the railroad can operate upon a paying basis."

With the holders of equipment bonds the case is quite different. If the receiver defaults upon their bonds they have only to direct the trustee to enter upon possession of the equipment and sell it or lease it to some other railroad. It will be remembered that the equipment is held by a trustee and leased to the railroad until such time as it has been fully paid for, i.e., until the last equipment bond secured on that particular lot of equipment has been redeemed. Then the railroad owns it outright and not until then does it own any part thereof.

The knowledge that the bondholders have this power has made the instances where it became necessary to use it very few indeed. The reasons are almost obvious.

The equipment of a railroad is essential to its operation. Rails and terminals are merely the shop as it were, the equipment constitutes the supply of tools. If, therefore, the receiver were deprived of the equipment it would be utterly impossible to satisfy the road's creditors, as the road couldn't be operated.

The result of this has been that in the States (there has so far been no occasion in Canada to adjudicate on this matter) the courts, both State and Federal, have ruled that the necessary equipment of a bankrupt railroad must be preserved. They have moreover "placed the charges for principal and interest of equipment bonds ahead of all other claims of the railroad." The result of this has been that in the States (there has so far been no occasion in Canada to adjudicate on this matter) the courts, both State and Federal, have ruled that the necessary equipment of a bankrupt railroad must be preserved. They have moreover "placed the charges for principal and interest of equipment bonds ahead of all other claims of the railroad."

As a result, equipment bonds have made a remarkable record during times of stress in railroad circles. Between the years 1888 and 1905 took place the principal railroad troubles in the States. A careful search has been made of all reorganizations during that period and it was discovered that "sixteen different railroads, aggregating nearly one hundred thousand miles, and located in widely different parts of the country had outstanding equipment bonds at the time of default. IN EVERY CASE THE PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST OF EQUIPMENT BONDS WERE PAID IN FULL WHILE ALL OTHER SECURITIES, WITH A FEW EXCEPTIONS, WERE REDUCED IN RATE OR AMOUNT OR BOTH." Two of these railroads, it is said, offered to the

Like a Pleasant Thought of an old friend—

## Post Toasties

with cream.

Sweet, crisp bits of white Indian corn, toasted to an appetizing, golden brown.

A delightful food for breakfast, lunch or supper—always ready to serve instantly from the package.

"The Memory Lingers"

For a pleasing variation sprinkle some Grape-Nuts over a saucer of Post Toasties, then add cream. The combined flavor is something to remember.

Canadian Postum Cereal Co., Ltd., Windsor, Ontario, Canada.

# GILLETT'S PERFUMED LYE



#### FOR MAKING SOAP, SOFTENING WATER, REMOVING PAINT, DISINFECTING SINKS, CLOSETS, DRAINS, ETC.

SOLD EVERYWHERE REFUSE SUBSTITUTES

holders of equipment bonds the option of an advantageous exchange of securities, which amounted to more than payment in full.

In security, therefore, the facts herein set forth, justify the conclusion that equipment bonds possess security equal or superior to that of any other form of railroad bonds.

So much for safety of principal and interest.

### KING AND QUEEN RETURN.

#### Arrived at Portsmouth Sunday, 14 Hours Ahead of Time.

A despatch from London says: King George and Queen Mary arrived at Portsmouth on Sunday, 14 hours ahead of schedule time, on their return from the trip to Delhi, where his Majesty was crowned as Emperor of India. The steamer yacht Medina, with the Royal party on board, arrived at Spithead at 10 o'clock in the morning in a blinding snow storm. It was known that the steamship would be in ahead of time, but she was not expected before the evening and there was no salute from the shore batteries, which were unprepared for her. Queen-Mother Alexandra and other members of the Royal family went to Portsmouth in the evening, to meet the King and Queen.

### TRAGEDY AT NIAGARA.

#### Three People Drowned When Ice Bridge Gave Way.

A despatch from Niagara Falls, Ont., says: The lives of one woman and two men who had ventured to cross the river on Sunday, on the ice bridge were lost in the tumult of waters in the Whirlpool Rapids, two miles below the falls, to which point they had drifted on the ice. Thousands witnessed the accident, but were helpless to render aid, although every effort was made. The victims were—Eldridge Staunton, secretary-treasurer of the O. B. Staunton and Wilson Co., stationers, 50 Yonge Street, Toronto. Mrs. Eldridge Staunton, Burrell Hecock, aged 17, of East 117th Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

### A REMARKABLE RECORD

The increase in the sales of "SALADA" Tea last year over 1910, amounted to over one million and ninety thousand pounds. This is one twenty-eighth part of the entire tea consumption of the Dominion—and represents only one year's increase in the consumption of this popular tea.

### FIRE AT CONSTRUCTION CAMP

#### Hundred Workmen Homeless at Hawk Lake—Loss \$15,000.

A despatch from Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., says: One hundred workmen are homeless 104 miles up the line of the Algoma Central Railway, at Hawk Lake, the result of a fire which swept the base camp and supplies of the Oboyle Bros. Construction Company early on Wednesday. Loss \$15,000.

### COPELAND'S CURE FOR CONSUMPTION.

As proof of what this cure will do for those afflicted with the White Plague, read this letter:

"Dear Mr. Copeland:—When I commenced taking your cure I was not able to sit up in bed and could not keep anything on my stomach. My doctor and a consumption specialist said I could not live more than eight or ten days, but after taking two bottles of your cure my appetite commenced gaining and the weakening perspiration stopped. I now have taken ten bottles and feel completely cured. I am better and stronger than I have been for years, and can recommend it to anyone suffering from any lung trouble, knowing what it has done for me. Wishing you every success, I remain, yours, DAVID WARNOCK, 'Street Car Conductor,' Toronto, Canada."

I am receiving testimonials daily like the above from those who have been given up by the doctors. Many are speedily recovering, and some claim to be cured. Our success with advanced cases proves beyond a doubt the marvellous quality of this preparation. It can be taken on the most delicate stomach, upon which it acts as a stimulating tonic. As a cure for consumption, weak or bleeding lungs, lingering coughs or bronchitis it is infallible. Price \$1 per bottle, or six for \$5. Mention nearest express office when ordering. For the present, sold only by Wm. R. Copeland, 511 Pape Ave., Toronto, Can.

### FOREST RESERVE IN ROCKIES

#### Government Will appropriate \$110,000 for Expenses.

A despatch from Ottawa says: Following on the recommendations of the Conservation Commission the Government will set aside \$110,000 to be expended this year on the new Rocky Mountain forest reserve.

## PROFITABLE POWER BONDS

Many of Canada's shrewdest and best informed investors have bought Western Canada Power Co. Bonds. At their present price of 90 they pay over 5 1/2%. The plant is located 35 miles from the growing cities of Vancouver and New Westminster, B.C. and has secured perpetual water rights from government. Can develop 100,000 H.P. as demand increases and should earn this year three times bond interest. Engineer in charge, R. F. Hayward successfully constructed Mexican Light Heat & Power Co. In addition to high rate of interest bonds should appreciate considerably in next year. Directorate includes Sir Max Aitken; C. H. Cahan; A. R. Dobie, Secretary Bank of Montreal; Jno. Hendry; Wm. McNeill, Vancouver; Mr. Campbell Sweeney, Manager Bank of Montreal, Vancouver. This is an exceptional investment opportunity from standpoint of both security and interest. Write us for full particulars.

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## CURED OF EPILEPSY

A Case That Should Bring Hope to Other Sufferers.

Epilepsy is one of the most serious troubles that afflicts the human race. This trouble is also known as "falling sickness" or "fits." The patient suddenly loses consciousness and falls. The muscles become rigid and there is a twitching of the face and limbs, sometimes accompanied by frothing of the mouth. The convulsion is followed by a deep sleep varying in duration. In the early stages the attack may only occur at intervals of several months, but as the disease progresses they become more and more frequent, the patient becomes debilitated and the mind weakened. Epilepsy is generally regarded as incurable, but taken in its earliest stages has in many cases been cured by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, which enrich the blood, strengthen the system, thus enabling it to resist the progress of the disease. The following case will be of interest to any who suffer from this terrible malady. Mrs. John Mather, Bancroft, Ont., says: "My little son, Olive, at the age of five was stricken with spasms or fits and despite all we did for him, for the next five years was afflicted with them, apparently growing worse. He was under the care, at various times, of five different doctors, but they did him no good. He was growing worse all the time, until he got so bad he would sometimes have twelve of these spasms in twenty-four hours. I sent him to the Sick Children's Hospital, where they pronounced the trouble epilepsy, but did not help him. Later he was treated by a specialist, but to no avail. I was almost in despair when my mother advised me to give him Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. I got the pills and gave them to him, strictly following the directions as to the diet. He continued taking the pills for several months, the spasms gradually coming less frequently, and with less severity, and finally they ceased altogether. It is now about two years since he took the last of the pills, and he has not had a fit in that time, and is now as well and strong as other boys of his age. I have great reason to be grateful for what the pills have done for him, and hope this may be of value to some other sufferer."

These pills are sold by all medicine dealers or may be had by mail at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50 from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

Many a man's wisdom is taken for granted because of the smart things he doesn't say.

The Poor Man's Friend.—Put in small bottles that are easily portable and sold for a very small sum. Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil possesses more power in concentrated form than one hundred times the quantity of many unguents. Its cheapness and the varied uses to which it can be put make it the poor man's friend. No dealer's stock is complete without it.

It is the man who knows all about it who has the least to say on the subject.

Minard's Liniment Cures Cargot in Cows.

While waiting for something to turn up it was better to get the plow ready for turning something up.

## Pimples So Bad He Was Ashamed

Tried Everything but Did It No Good. One Box of Cuticura Ointment Took Pimples Away.

"About seven years ago pimples broke out all over my face and neck. When they would first come out they would be big and red, then after a while they would turn white, and matter would come out. Sometimes they would itch so I could hardly sleep. I was ashamed to go down street, my face looked so bad. I went to several doctors and got medicine, which did me no good, and bought ointment, salves and patent medicines, but none of them would cure my face and neck. A friend advised me to try Cuticura Ointment. I got one box and it took the pimples away before I had it all used up. I can say it is a wonderful remedy. Any sufferer who has pimples should use Cuticura Ointment if they want a cure. I never had any more pimples. (Signed) Avimer Mathers, Parkhill, Ont., Dec. 24, 1910.

## Sores All Over Baby's Body

"When my baby boy was six months old, his body was completely covered with large sores that seemed to itch and burn, and cause terrible suffering. The eruption began in the neck, which would open and run, making large sores. His hair came out and finger nails fell off, and the sores were over his whole body, causing little or no sleep for baby or myself. Great pains would come off when I touched his skin. We tried a great many remedies but nothing would help him, till a friend induced me to try Cuticura Soap and Ointment. I used the Cuticura Soap and Ointment but a short time before I could see that he was improving, and in six weeks time he was entirely cured. He had suffered about six weeks before we tried the Cuticura Soap and Ointment, although we had tried several other things and doctors told me I should use Cuticura Remedies will do all that is claimed for them, and a great deal more. (Signed) Mrs. Noble Tubman, Jeddah, Mont., Jan. 23, 1911.

Cuticura Soap and Cuticura Ointment sold by druggists and chemists everywhere. Send for Free Booklet. Cuticura Soap and Ointment. Sold by Dr. J. C. F. & Co., 26 Columbia Ave., Boston, U. S. A., for 75¢ per box. Sample of each with Free Booklet.

## THE MAKING OF MATCHES.

Were Introduced by Derosne, of Paris, in 1816.

Chemical matches, compounds like sulphuric acid and chlorates, which would ignite on being mixed, were used, says London Engineering, more than a hundred years ago; a phosphorus compound, ignited by friction, is supposed to have been introduced by Derosne, of Paris, in 1816.

Mr. E. G. Clayton, in a lecture recently, spoke of matches which he had been able to analyze, and he considered many generally accredited statements as inaccurate. Samuel Jones introduced his "Promethean" matches in 1833. These were chemical matches, containing chlorate, sulphur, and ly-copodium, and in the small glass tube sulphuric acid. He also made "friction lights" in 1832, containing sulphur, antimony, sulphide, chlorate, iron, oxide, and gum, and called them "lucifers."

But friction lights were previously made in 1826 by John Walker; these were coated with sulphur and ignited by being drawn through sand-paper. Phosphorus matches, so-called "congreves," were probably introduced by Sir W. Congreve, the inventor of the war rocket, early in the 'thirties.

They were chiefly taken up under that name in Germany, and in Austria, and contained, in addition to ingredients already mentioned, frequently nitrates; powdered glass, chalk, starch, and a blue dye. Phosphoric cigar-lighters came from Vienna early in the 'fifties. The chlorate, "Engineering" adds, was, about 1835, replaced by lead oxide, which Preschi (Vienna) mixed with nitric acid and dried; strips of red phosphorus paper were manufactured by Bottger in 1843; but they did not find favor until reintroduced from Sweden.

## BABY'S HEALTH IN WINTER

During the winter months the mother finds it very difficult to keep her little ones well. Colds come on quickly and the discomfort to the baby affects the whole household. To keep baby well during the winter he should be warmly clothed, have a daily bath, lots of fresh air, and Baby's Own Tablets should be given him occasionally to keep his little bowels working regularly, as nothing will bring on colds so quickly as a clogged condition of the bowels. Baby's Own Tablets are the best medicine a mother can give her little ones. They break up colds, cure constipation and indigestion, expel worms and make baby bright and happy. The Tablets are sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

Any fair-minded man who argues for a thing long enough can convince himself the opposite thing is right.

Only One "BROMO QUININE." That is LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE. Look for the signature of E. W. GROVE. Used the World over to Cure a Cold in One Day. 25c.

A man can be a good deal surer about how you should invest your money than about how he should invest his own.

If you are a sufferer from colds get a bottle of Bickel's Anti-Consumptive Syrup and test its qualities. It will be found that no praise bestowed on it is too high. It does all that is claimed for it, and does it thoroughly. Do not take any substitute for Bickel's Syrup, because it is the best, having stood the test of years. All the best dealers sell it.

In Great Britain and Ireland there are over ninety thousand public-houses.

The Nova Scotia "Lumber King" says: "I consider MINARD'S LINIMENT the BEST liniment in use."

I got my foot badly jammed lately. I bathed it well with MINARD'S LINIMENT and it was as well as ever next day.

Yours very truly,

T. G. McSHULLEN.

February, it is true, is a little short, but it is likely to pull through without bankrupting March.

Do your feet feel tired, achy, and sore at night? Rub them with a little Hamlin's Wizard Oil. They'll be glad in the morning and so will you.

## HARD TIMES AT DAD'S.

The teacher was trying to explain the uses of the thermometer. "How can we tell," she asked, "in winter, for instance, how much colder one day is than another day?"

"When it's awful cold," spoke up the barber's little boy, "no-body goes to 't' git his hair cut."

Minard's Liniment Cures Diphtheria.

## THEY HAVE YET TO SCORE A FAILURE

DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS EMERGE TRIUMPHANT FROM EVERY TEST.

Ernest St. Pierre tells how they rescued him from the tortures of Backache and Bright's Disease.

Le Petit Bois Franc, Temiscouata Co., Que., Feb. 5 (Special).—Ernest St. Pierre a well-known farmer of this place is telling his neighbors of his almost miraculous cure from Bright's Disease, and he always winds up with:

"I advise all persons suffering from Backache or Bright's Disease to use Dodd's Kidney Pills." For like thousands of other sufferers in Canada Mr. St. Pierre found his cure in the good old Canadian Kidney remedy.

And his indeed was a particularly bad case. His eyes were puffed and swollen, his appetite was fitful and he was always tired and nervous, while the pains in his back made any form of work something to be avoided. To-day he is strong and well. Six boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills worked the transformation.

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Long ago St. Olave's Grammar School, in Tooley Street, let a field in Horsleydown for a red rose, to be presented on Midsummer Day, annually, for several hundred years. Some three hundred years have yet to pass before this rent can be stopped.

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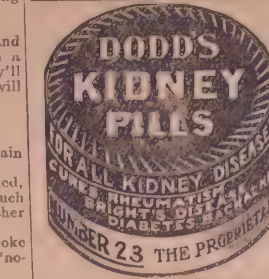
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Bishop Ingram of London.

walk up and down Jacob's ladder when they had wings?"

Dr. Ingram escaped by blandly inquiring, "What little boy or girl would like to answer this question?"

## SINKING SPELL.

Boarder—"Say, this bacon is downright bad!" Landlady—"That's queer. The butcher said it was only recently cured."

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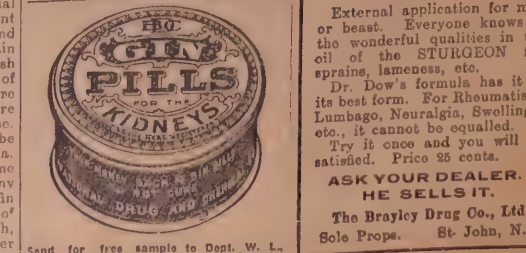
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### Stirling School Board

A meeting of the Board of Education was held on Tuesday evening, Feb. 14th.

Members present: W. S. Martin, chairman; Dr. C. F. Walt, P. T. Ward, W. J. Reynolds, M. Bird, J. T. Belshaw, Dr. H. H. Alger, John Shaw, J. S. Morton.

Minutes of last regular and special meetings were read and approved. The property committee reported, and on motion the report was received and filed.

The Teachers' committee also made a report, which was on motion received and filed.

The Principal of the Public School gave report of attendance:

1st Room, on roll 35, average attendance 31.4  
2nd Room, on Roll 55, average attendance 47.8  
3rd Room, on Roll 65, average attendance 43.7

The Principal recommended another teacher.

The following accounts were read:

J. S. Morton, H. S.	\$12.05
J. S. Morton, P. S.	3.75
G. W. Faulkner, H. S.	5.00
James Ralph, H. S.	35.90
James Ralph, Agricultural Dept	61.50
Arthur Pease & Co., Ag'l Dept.	1.00
The McMillan Co.	10.00
The Pearce Co.	45.35
G. W. Anderson	2.00
Moon & Green	25
J. S. Morton, Ag'l Dept.	18.92
E. Caverly	5.00
The News-Argus	6.00
S. A. Murphy	10.38
L. & R. Meiklejohn, Ag'l Dept.	0.33
Robert Cosbey	.95
J. W. Haight	6.57
J. L. Ashley	.53
Family Herald & Weekly Star	2.00
Agricultural Department	2.00

Moved by Dr. Alger, seconded by Dr. Walt, that all accounts be paid when certified to. Carried.

A communication was read from Miss Edwards, tendering her resignation.

Moved by Dr. Walt, seconded by Mr. Morton that the resignation of Miss Edwards be accepted. Carried.

On motion, the teachers' committee was recommended to engage an additional teacher for the Public School, duties to commence after the Easter holidays.

Moved by Mr. Belshaw, seconded by Dr. Alger, that McGee & Lagrow be paid for fire escape when completed, and that they be advised to complete the same at once. Carried.

Moved by Dr. Alger, seconded by Mr. Reynolds, that Dr. Walt and Mr. M. Bird be added to deputation to wait upon the Minister of Education re county requisition. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Bird, seconded by Mr. Ward, that the property committee be authorized to make arrangements for a new caretaker of the Public and High Schools. Carried.

On motion the Board adjourned.

In accordance with statute the first meeting of the newly elected Board of Education was held on Wednesday evening Feb. 7th.

Members present: W. S. Martin, Dr. C. F. Walt, John Shaw, J. S. Morton, C. W. Thompson, J. T. Belshaw, Dr. G. W. Faulkner, Dr. H. H. Alger.

After the newly appointed and elected trustees had taken the declaration of office, the secretary called for nominations for chairman and vice-chairman for 1912.

Moved by Mr. Martin, seconded by Dr. Faulkner, that Dr. C. F. Walt be chairman for 1912. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Thompson, that J. S. Morton be vice-chairman. Carried.

Moved by Dr. Faulkner, seconded by Mr. Thompson, that a nominating committee be appointed for the purpose of selecting the various committees, as follows: Messrs. Morton, Thompson, Belshaw, and Dr. Faulkner. Carried.

The nominating committee reported as follows:

Finance Committee—Dr. Faulkner, Belshaw and Ward.

Property Committee—Messrs. Belshaw, Morton, and Dr. Faulkner.

Library Board—Dr. Potts.

Teachers' Committee—Messrs. Ward, Thompson, and Dr. Alger.

Visiting Committee—Dr. Faulkner, Messrs. Mather, Martin, Shaw and Bird.

Cadet Corps—Dr. Alger, Messrs. Martin and Ward.

Sec. Treas.—Dr. Potts.

Moved by Dr. Faulkner, seconded by Mr. Thompson, that the report of the nominating committee be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Dr. Alger, seconded by Mr. Shaw, that the report be adopted with the insertion of the name of G. G. Thrasher, as Secretary, instead of Dr. Bissonette.

The amendment being put, was declared carried.

Moved by Mr. Belshaw, seconded by Mr. Thompson, that the Secretary-Treasurer's salary be the same as before, and that the place of meeting be in the Agricultural room, on the first Tuesday of each month, at 8 p.m.

Board adjourned.

### Address and Presentation

At Bellview

On Monday evening, Feb. 5th, about a hundred friends and neighbors with well filled baskets visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Stiles to spend an evening and show their good will towards them before their removal to their new home at Wellman's Corners.

After all had arrived the family were asked to take seats, and Mr. and Mrs. Stiles were presented with two handsome easy chairs, Mary a clock and Ward a sleigh, after which the Rev. Mr. Coles was asked to read the following address:

To Mr. and Mrs. JOHN STILES AND FAMILY.

We, your friends and neighbors, feel we cannot let you leave our midst without some slight token of our good will. Although not going out of our reach, yet your leaving the home where we have known you so long comes as a break in our relationship, and we ask you to accept these small tokens as an expression of our kindly feeling and good wishes.

May you find in your new home what you are leaving with us, our friendliness and affection as a neighbor and a friend. In bidding you good bye we ask you to take our earnest hope of a happy and prosperous future.

Signed on behalf of the donors,  
JOHN MCKEOWN  
HENRY MATTHEWS

Mr. Stiles, on behalf of the family, briefly thanked the donors for the presents and good wishes, after which all spent an enjoyable evening.

### Promotion for S. J. Roy

Although pleased to learn of his promotion and recognizing that it is a well-merited one, there will be a feeling of genuine regret on the part of a host of friends that Mr. S. J. Roy, who has occupied the position of local agent of the Grand Trunk for five and a half years, is about to leave town. So far as his incumbency of office is concerned, he has filled it with considerable credit to himself and distinctly to the interests of the Grand Trunk, and in coming in contact with the general public he has been most accommodating and genial in every respect. In consideration of the success which has attended his tenure of office in Ingersoll, it is not to be wondered at that he has received a promotion to an important position on the auditing staff of the Grand Trunk, Eastern Division.

Aside from his work altogether, Mr. Roy has made for himself a host of friends in social and other circles. He has been a warm friend of the Boy Scout movement in the town, and, as time has permitted, he has been an ardent curler. In the Presbyterian church he has been an enthusiastic worker among the young people, holding at the present time the position of president of the Young People's Society. In matters between the Corporation and the Grand Trunk, Mr. Roy has done all in his power to promote the welfare of the town. His many Ingersoll friends will follow with sympathetic interest his future connection with the Grand Trunk and will wish him every success in that association. — Woodstock Sentinel-Review, Feb. 2nd.

Mr. S. J. Roy is a son of Mr. Robert Roy of this village.

This is the season of the year when mothers feel very much concerned over the frequent colds contracted by their children, and have abundant reason for it, as every cold weakens the lungs, lowers the vitality, and paves the way for the more serious diseases which so often follow. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is famous for its cures, and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by all dealers.

## STERLING HALL

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## W. R. MATHER

### Madoc Junction Items

Among those who attended the wedding of Miss Hamilton at Halloway last week were Rev. W. J. Barker and Miss Barker, Mr. and Mrs. Pichett, Mr. and Mrs. Danford and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. McMullen.

The "Band" which serenaded Mr. and Mrs. Danford gave them a party on Tuesday evening of last week. An address was read and Mr. and Mrs. Danford were presented with two wicker chairs. Mr. Danford made an appropriate reply. Several short addresses were given, after which about fifty sat down to another feast of oysters and other refreshments. Mrs.

Danford's Sunday School class of boys will be among those who will miss her. They will reside in Lindsay.

Miss Elsie Eggleton and Miss Mildred Clarke were appointed missionary collectors for this year.

Miss Barker and Miss Jessie Parke assisted Mrs. Andrews in entertaining about thirty last Friday evening.

Mr. Bob Gay, of Orillia, visited Mr. and Mrs. Andrews this week.

Our teacher, Miss Hugo, is on the sick list.

Legislation introduced in the Provincial House proposes to give health officers complete control over the vaccination of children.

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# CLOSE QUARTERS;

OR, THE HOUSE IN THE RUE BARBETTE

## CHAPTER XV.—(Cont'd)

Men, women, and children lounged about the doorways and kept up a constant cackle of conversation in a mysterious patois which Miss Talbot, though an excellent French scholar, could make nothing of. The presence of these people naturally sheltered her from the direct observation of La Belle Chasseuse, but nevertheless threatened a slight danger should it be necessary for her to stand still, for she well understood that in such a locality each person was known to the other, and the loitering of a stranger could not fail to arouse curiosity.

Soon after passing beneath the lamp mademoiselle vanished into a doorway. Edith perceived to her joy that at this point there was no group of loungers. Indeed, for a few yards the street was empty. Keeping her eyes sedulously fixed upon the exact spot where the Frenchwoman disappeared, she reached the door, and, after a moment's hesitation, stepped lightly into the interior darkness.

The narrow entrance was at once lessened to half its width by a staircase. She listened intently, and could hear the other woman ascending the second flight of stairs.

At the next landing mademoiselle paused and knocked three times. Presumably in reply to a question within, she murmured something which Edith could not catch, and was at once admitted. The shooting of a rusty bolt supplied evidence that the door was locked behind her.

Edith's next task was to identify the house. She stepped out into the street again and crossed to the opposite pavement. She looked up to the second story, but, owing to the short distance—barely fourteen feet—that separated her from the house—she could discern nothing, save that the windows on that floor were closely shuttered.

She rapidly noted that the door was the third removed from the lamp.

Whilst wondering what to do next, a couple of girls approached her. They were young and of course inquisitive. Without any dissimulation, they stood in front of her and scrutinized her face, wondering, no doubt, who this tall graceful newcomer could be.

"What is your name?" said one. "Where do you live? Have you just come here? Are you staying with old Mother Peter?"

With difficulty Edith caught the drift of their questions. But she answered smilingly—

"No, I do not live here, and I do not know Mother Peter. But I want you to tell me who lives in the house opposite?"

Her Parisian French greatly surprised the two girls who giggled at each other, and one of them cried—

"Oh, here's a lark!"

But they wanted an intrigue, and were quite ready to give all the information in their power.

"A lot of people there," said the elder one, trying with the ready tact of her nation, to accommodate her words to the understanding of the stranger. "It all depends who you want to know about. On the ground floor is Josef the barber and his wife, and three little ones. It cannot be them, I am sure, and it cannot be Monsieur Ducrot, who is their lodger, for he is seventy years old and a sacristan in the Church of the Sacred Heart. Then on the first floor there are three men, not a woman amongst them. One is a bill-sticker, another a fisherman, and the third a waiter in the Cafe du Midi. I do not know their proper names. We call the bill-sticker 'Paste-pot,' and the fisherman 'Crab.' The waiter is called 'Thomas' in the cafe, but when a letter comes for him it is in another name. Then, on the second floor—on the way, Marie, who is it that lives on the second floor?"

Edith with difficulty restrained her excitement. She felt that if only these youngsters rattled on a little longer she might gain some valuable information.

Marie, thus appealed to, was evidently of a more cautious temperament than her companion.

"If the young lady will tell us why she wants to know, we may be able to help her," she stipulated.

"Certainly," cried Edith, instantly resolving to pursue the tactics of the penny novelette. "I have been deserted. My lover has been taken away from me by another woman—at least, that is what I am informed. I do not wish to make any trouble about it. There are plenty as good men as he left in the world; but, on the other hand, I must not

act unjustly. I have been told that he lives in this house—that he is living with her at this moment, in fact. If I can make sure of it, I will go away and never set eyes on him again unless by chance, and then you may be sure I will take no notice of him. I am not one of those silly girls who break their hearts over a faithless sweetheart."

Marie was reassured. "I should think not," she said, with a sympathetic and defiant sniff. "On the second floor, I am afraid you will find your man. They are a funny couple that live there. They only came on Monday. When did your young man leave you?"

"I saw him on Saturday."

"Where?"

This was a poser, but Miss Talbot answered desperately: "At Lyons."

"What is he like?"

Another haphazard shot. "He is tall and dark, and, oh! so good-looking, with a beautifully white skin and a pink complexion."

"That is he!" cried both girls together.

"The scoundrel! But tell me," went on Edith, whose excitement was readily construed as the pangs of jealousy, "who is the creature that lives with him?"

"We think she is a music-hall artiste," replied Marie. "At least, that is what the people say. I have not heard yet what hall she appears in. They say she is very pretty. Are you going to throw vitrol over her?"

"Not I," said Edith, with a fine scorn. "Do they live there alone?"

"Yes, quite alone. They rent the place from Pere Didon. He owns most of the houses in this street, you know, and is a regular skinflint. He won't let any one get behind with their rent for an hour. He is old, so old that you would not think that he could live another week, yet he is that keen after his francs you would imagine he was a young man anxious to get money for a gay life. You ought to have heard the row here last Saturday when he turned the people out from their rooms where your lover now lives with his mistress. It was terrible. There was a poor woman with two sick children."

How much further the revelation as to Pere Didon's iniquity might have gone, Miss Talbot could not say, but at that moment there came an interruption.

From the opposite doorway appeared the figure of Mlle. Beaucaire, carrying a small bag. She was followed by a man, tall, slight, and closely muffled up, who shouldered a larger portmanteau. Edith grabbed both the girls, and pulled them close to her against the closed door behind them.

"It is he!" she whispered tragically. "Silence! Let us watch them!"

The man darted a suspicious glance up and down the street. There was no one whom even the clever Henri Dubois could construe as an enemy—no one save some chattering Marseilles loitering around their doorsteps, and three girls huddled together in close converse directly opposite.

Thus reassured, he strode after La Belle Chasseuse, who cried out impatiently:

"Come quick, Henri, what are you waiting for?"

"Is his name Henri?" whispered the awe-stricken Marie.

"Yes. Isn't he a villain? I wonder where they are going now?"

"Let's follow them and see," suggested Marie.

"Yes, let us follow them and see," chimed in the other one, who delighted in this nocturnal romance. It was a veritable page out of one of Paul de Kock's novels.

The programme suited Miss Talbot exceedingly well.

They strolled off down the street, nestled together, Edith in the centre, and keeping the shrouded couple in front well in sight. This time, when Mademoiselle Beaucaire and her companion reached the point where the street emerged on to the harbor, they did not cross over towards the broad and brilliant-lit Cannibiere, but hurried on through darkness in the direction of a cluster of fishing smacks that lay alongside the Quai de Rive Neuve.

"My faith, Eugenie!" cried Marie, "they must be going on board one of the vessels."

"What a lark!" was the answer. "I suppose they fear you," she added, turning her sharp eyes on Edith.

"Lucille, what is your name?"

"Lucille," came the answer on the spur of the moment.

"Lucille what?"

"Lucille Beauharnais."

"My gracious!" cried Eugenie, "what a swell name!"

"Oh, let us hurry," interrupted Miss Talbot desperately. "You girls know everybody. You must know all the vessels. If they are going on a boat and you find out the name and number for me I will give each of you a whole louis. I will give them to you now—I mean, that is, if you will walk with me afterwards to my lodgings."

Even amidst the exciting circumstances surrounding her, Edith recognized the absolute necessity there was to maintain the credibility of her previous narrative.

Unquestionably Dubois and the lady intended to embark on one of the fishing boats. They hastened to the further end of the harbor, through whose tiny entrance Edith could now see the dark waters of the bay beyond, for the night was beautifully clear and fine, and the bright stars of the south lent some radiance to the scene, when the girls quitted the deep shadow of the houses.

A solitary boat, a decked fishing smack of some forty tons, was lying by the side of the quay, apart from the others. Edith, who knew something about yachting, recognized that her gazing was not fastened in the trim manner suggestive of a craft laid by for the night. At the same instant, too, she caught sight of a third form—that of a man who had been seated on a fixed capstan, and who now strode forward to peer at the newcomers.

Some few words passed between the three, but it was impossible for girls to hear a syllable. Instantly the sailor assisted Dubois and Mademoiselle Beaucaire to step down from the quay on board the smack. He followed them, and three other men, who appeared out of the chaos of sails and ropes, commenced to labor with a large pole in order to shove the sturdy vessel out into the harbor.

"Quick!" murmured Edith, in an agony lest the opportunity should slip. "Tell me what vessel it is."

"I think," said Marie, "it is the Belles Soeurs. Anyhow, we can easily make certain. All we have to do is to go back around the top of the harbor, walk down the Quai du Port, and watch her as she passes under the lighthouse of the Fort St. Jean. They will hoist her sail then and we shall see her number."

"Oh, come," cried Edith, "let us run!"

"We can run if you like," replied Marie coolly, "but there is no need. They have to get out by using the sweeps, and we will be underneath the lighthouse at least a minute or two before they pass, even if we walk slowly."

Whilst they were talking the three girls put their words into practice, and Edith found herself battling with a logical dilemma. Dubois was evidently escaping from France—making out from Marseilles at this late hour on a vessel capable of sailing to almost any point of the Mediterranean.

What could she do? Was it possible to invoke the aid of a policeman and get some authority to hail the craft and order her to return, or was there time to take a cab in the Cannibiere and drive furiously to the hotel, where Brett, Fairholme and his brother must be anxiously awaiting her return?

Rapidly as these alternatives suggested themselves, she dismissed them. It was best to fall in with Marie's suggestion and ascertain beyond doubt the identity of the fishing smack. Then, at any rate, Brett would have a tangible and definite clue.

So she hastened with her companions along the three sides of the now almost deserted quay, and, in accordance with the prediction of her youthful guides, she reached the promenade beyond the small lighthouse of the inner port before the vessel had quitted the harbor. To move a forty-ton boat with oars is a slow matter at the best.

As the craft came creeping steadily through the narrow channel Edith saw, to her great relief, that two of the men drew in their sweeps and commenced to haul upon ropes whilst the clanking and groaning of pulleys heralded the slow rising of the mainsail.

(To be continued.)

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# The Traders Bank of Canada

Proceedings of the Twenty-Seventh Annual General Meeting.

The Twenty-Seventh Annual Meeting was held at noon on Tuesday, the 23rd of January, 1912.

Mr. C. D. Warren, the President, having taken the chair, the General Manager, Mr. Stuart Strath, was requested to act as Secretary of the Meeting. On motion, Messrs. E. Galley and J. K. Niven were appointed Scrutineers. The minutes of the last Annual Meeting were taken as read.

## DIRECTORS' REPORT

The Directors have much pleasure in submitting their Twenty-seventh Annual Report and balance sheet of the affairs of the Bank, as of the 30th December, 1911, together with Profit and Loss Account, showing the result of the operations of the Bank for the year which ended that day. The net profits of the Bank, after making full provision for all bad and doubtful debts, amount to \$601,133.78, being 13.80 per cent. on the paid-up capital of the Bank, which has been applied as follows:

The net profits for the twelve months, after making provision for bad and doubtful debts, and reserving accrued interest, amount to \$601,133.78

Balance at credit of Profit and Loss last year 153,434.19

\$754,567.97

Appropriated as follows, viz.:  
Dividend No. 60, quarterly, at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum \$ 87,030.00

Dividend No. 61, quarterly, at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum 87,030.00

Dividend No. 62, quarterly, at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum 87,030.00

Dividend No. 63, quarterly, at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum 87,030.00

Transferred to Retained Account 200,000.00

Written off Bank Furniture 5,000.00

Transferred to Officers' Guarantee Fund 5,000.00

Transferred to Officers' Pension Fund 5,000.00

Balance at credit of Profit and Loss, new account 181,208.57

\$754,567.97

You will observe \$200,000 has been added to Retained Account. The Retained Account is now \$2,500,000, or about 58 per cent. of the subscribed and paid-up capital of the Bank.

The business of the Bank continues to grow most satisfactorily, as the comparative statement submitted shows. The deposits during the year have increased \$4,193,898.29, and the circulation has increased \$583,595.

The Head Office and all the Branches have been carefully inspected during the year, and a full report of each office brought in review before your Directors, and, in addition to these inspections, a Committee of the Directors, other than the officers, and composed of Mr. E. P. B. Johnston, K.C., Mr. W. J. Sheppard, Mr. C. S. Wilcox, and Mr. H. S. Strath, was appointed to examine and approve all the securities held at the Head Office, which they did, and reported to the Board that they are as represented to it.

The increase in Bank premises is partly accounted for by discharging the encumbrances which existed at the time of the purchase of Vancouver and Winnipeg properties, and partly by the purchase of the property immediately east of your Head Office Building, which was acquired at a reasonable figure, a portion of which will be used for the purposes of the Bank. This purchase will be of great advantage in protecting the lighting of the east side of the Head Office Building. Your Bank premises now comprise 34 separate buildings.

The Directors have much pleasure in testifying to the good work performed by the Staff during the period under review.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

The General Manager read the General Statement of the Bank, as of 30th of December, 1911, as follows:

## COMPARATIVE GENERAL STATEMENT 30th December, 1911

### LIABILITIES

1911. 1910.

Capital Stock paid up \$4,354,500.00 \$4,354,500.00

Retained Account 2,500,000.00 2,300,000.00

Dividend No. 63, payable 2nd January 87,000.00 87,000.00

Former Dividends unpaid 894.52 894.52

Interest accrued on Deposit Receipts 2,811.70 4,351.85

Balance of Profits carried forward 181,208.57 153,434.19

\$4,373,073.00 \$ 7,120,704.70

\$3,700,080.00 \$ 6,809,070.10

Notes of the Bank in circulation \$4,373,073.00 \$ 7,120,704.70

Deposits bearing interest, including interest accrued to date \$31,560,224.11 \$20,077,007.41

Deposits not bearing interest \$4,114,144.14 7,000,137.18

\$36,077,438.25 36,077,438.25

Deposits made by Banks in the United States 612,943.40 318,848.83

Balance due to other Banks in Canada 14,074.51 27,250.14

Balance due to London Agents 322,001.41 45,208.17

\$45,701,232.63 40,252,757.53

\$82,427,527.42 \$47,152,736.99

### ASSETS

\$ 487,750.57 \$ 3,843,353.00

\$4,351,103.57

Notes of and Cheques on other Banks 2,517,278.41 2,020,030.82

Balance due from other Banks 688,329.52 291,070.50

Balance due from Foreign Agents 1,385,380.74 1,154,012.70

Domestic and Provincial Government Securities 552,310.37 661,500.37

Railway and other Bonds, Debentures and other Securities 1,815,601.44 1,720,172.48

Call and Short Loans on Stocks, Bonds and other Securities 1,723,515.35 1,445,005.24

Call and Short Loans in United States 301,284.21 200,000.00

\$4,865,340.71 \$4,865,340.71

\$32,810,351.82 \$11,731,370.70

Notes discounted current 100,121.74 74,008.75

Loans to other Banks, secured 153,005 72,500.77

Deposit with Dominion Government for security of general Bank Note Circulation 107,393.35 107,374.13

Real Estate, the property of the Bank (other than the Bank premises) 2,464.15 3,500.00

Mortgages on Real Estate sold by the Bank 24,950.00 24,950.00

Bank premises 2,807,601.71 2,608,332.22

Bank furniture, safes, etc. 237,596.87 240,439.41

\$7,562,460.71 33,421,360.18

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General Manager.

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## HOUSEHOLD

### CHOICE RECIPES.

**Cabbage with Cream.**—The so-called plebeian cabbage may be served in a number of appetizing and attractive ways. Prepared with cream it is especially dainty. Wash and blanch the cabbage well. When cool remove the outer leaves and chop the rest fine. Put into a saucepan with a large lump of butter, some salt and pepper. Thicken with about a tablespoonful of flour and then add a cupful of sweet cream. Mix thoroughly and cook for about three-quarters of an hour. Heap on a hot dish and serve. This will accompany any meat, and is a particularly wholesome dish.

**Braised Veal.**—Lard evenly two sides of a piece of veal, dredge with salt and pepper and a little flour. Lay two or three thin slices of pork in the bottom of an iron pot, and as soon as lightly browned lay in the veal with a small carrot sliced, an onion sliced, a bay leaf and a sprig or two of parsley. Add two cupfuls of veal stock (this can be made from some of the veal bones which the butcher will throw in if you ask him), and simmer steadily for two or three hours until tender and a golden brown. It must be basted frequently during the braising, adding some stock if necessary.

**Prune Soufflé.**—Soak and stew two dozen prunes, and when tender press through a colander. To the beaten whites of four eggs add six tablespoonfuls of powdered sugar and the prunes and beat well. Put into the mixture one tablespoonful of sifted flour, one-quarter teaspoonful cream tartar and one teaspoonful of lemon extract. Bake twenty minutes in a slow oven. Serve cold with sauce made as follows: One pint of sweet milk, three-quarters of a cup of sugar, the yolks of four eggs and one teaspoonful of lemon, made into a soft custard. The sauce should also be cold when served.

**Apple Slump.**—Put two quarts of pared, sliced or quartered apples, with one pint of water, into the dish in which the slump is to be cooked. Take one quart of sifted flour and mix through it three teaspoonfuls of baking powder; then rub one teaspoonful of butter into it. Mix with a little cold milk or water, the same as for biscuit. Roll the crust about an inch thick, cut it into quarters, and with it cover the apples, in the dish; then cover the whole with a close-fitting cover or boil or steam until done. Take out on a platter and grate nutmeg over the apples. Serve with a sweet sauce or sugar and cream.

**Fricassee Chicken.**—Cut two fowls into joints. Season them with salt and pepper, and dip each one in flour. Put them in a saucepan and cover with boiling water. Let them cook very gently for about two hours, or until very tender. When they are done put three tablespoonfuls of butter in a frying pan, add the same amount of flour, rub smooth, then add the water in which the chickens have been boiled, which should not amount to more than a quart. After the gravy has boiled up add a cupful of rich cream, and season with salt, white pepper and a little cayenne. Just before removing from the fire add an egg well beaten. Pour over the chicken, which should be laid on toast or soda biscuits cut in halves.

**Potato Chowder.**—Pare and cut into dice five good-sized potatoes and throw into cold water. Cut a quarter pound slice of fat ham into shreds and put it in a frying pan with a mixed onion and fry a light brown. Put a layer of potatoes in a kettle, sprinkle in ham, onion, salt, pepper and minced parsley, then add more potatoes, pork, onion, etc., until all are used. Add the fat in which the onions were fried and a pint of cold water. Cover and cook gently until the potatoes are nearly done, about twenty minutes. Rub a tablespoonful of butter and same of flour to a smooth paste (roux) and stir into the chowder; then when it begins to thicken add a pint of hot milk, stir carefully together so as not to break the potato dice.

**Chicken Stew.**—Cut a young but full-grown chicken and put it on to stew in a pot with plenty of water, adding salt only; then take a pint of flour, one egg and water enough to mix into a very stiff dough, which knead till perfectly smooth. Roll out into a sheet as thin as possible, and let it stand to dry for at least an hour, then cut into narrow strips, put these into pieces two or three inches long, and drop—one by one—into the boiling stew—with plenty of water in it—and boil for at least an hour, shaking the pot occasionally, but never stirring or the dumplings will stick together. When done, pour all into a large platter and dust with pepper. This is a delicious stew, and the dumplings, besides being tender and wholesome, can be eaten with impunity by an invalid.

**Coffee Bread.**—Add to one cupful of scalded milk one-third cupful of shortening, a cupful of sugar and one-half teaspoonful of salt. Cool

to lukewarm, and then beat in a yeast cake dissolved in one-quarter cupful of lukewarm milk and enough sifted flour to make a stiff batter. Cover and place where it will keep warm over night. In the morning blend a beaten egg with the dough, add one-half cupful of seeded raisins and roll out the mixture in a sheet three-quarters of an inch in thickness. Put in a buttered dripping pan or a deep pie plate, having in its center a muffin ring or piece of stiff paper pinned together to make a ring. Cover and let rise until double its original bulk. Brush with melted butter, sprinkle with powdered sugar and cinnamon, and bake in a moderate oven about half an hour.

### USEFUL HINTS.

Hot sunshine will remove scorch. Hot tartaric acid will take ink stains out of white cloth.

A package or envelope sealed with white of egg cannot be steamed open.

Even delicate glass can be safely washed in very hot water if slipped in edgewise.

Mutton tea is a pleasant change from beef tea to many invalids, and is very wholesome.

Insects like neither salt nor alum and enough adheres to the carpet to keep them away.

If feather pillows have an unpleasant odor give them a thorough drying before a clear fire.

A piece of salt pork cut thin and bound on a corn or bunion at night will give great relief.

Never keep bread and cake in the same box, as the cake loses its flavor and tastes like bread.

Rice possesses more nutriment than wheat, oats or barley. It will sustain life longer than any other starch producing plant.

Burning oil is spread by water. To extinguish it throw down flour, sand or earth. The idea is to prevent the oil spreading.

You may keep the top of your kitchen range clean when frying steak, etc., by having two sheets of asbestos prepared as covers.

Clotheslines and pegs will last much longer if they get boiled for ten minutes when new. It is a good plan to repeat the boiling occasionally.

Sew buttons on firmly. Do not put a lot of cheap work and trimming on a dress of cheap material. Rather get better material and make it up simply.

Mend a cracked stove with a cement made of wood ashes and salt in equal proportions, reduce to a paste with cold water. Fill cracks when stove is cool.

It is not generally known, but to prevent cakes from burning, place a little bran at the bottom of the tins. This will save a lot of grumbling and vexation.

Many women put paper pads under the stair carpet, and layers of thick brown paper under room carpets. These underlays cost nothing, and can, therefore, be burnt instead of beaten and beaten and re-used as a felt has to be.

Before relaying the carpets after the spring cleaning try washing around the edge of the floor to the depth of a yard from the baseboard with a strong solution of alum water. Several times a month sprinkle salt over the carpet before sweeping.

For a liquid shampoo take four ounces of finely grated castile soap, cover with a quart of cold water, let cook until it forms a jelly. Take from the fire and add two thoroughly beaten eggs, shake well, and it is ready for use.

For coughs, put a lemon in the oven, leave it until warmed through, then squeeze out the juice, and add sufficient honey or sugar to make a thick syrup. Keep it warm, and take a teaspoonful when the cough is troublesome.

Buy a strip of asbestos cloth and use small squares to interline your iron-holders. Keep a good-sized piece fastened to your ironing board to save the sheet, and lay a square under the table pad where the meat platter rests.

To prevent a shabby, dull look coming to the kitchen painted work, wash it in bran water, made by boiling one pound of bran in a gallon of water for an hour.

Hard water is softened by having a little powder lime put in, which at once throws down the chalk in it. The clear fluid can then be boiled without risk of furring pot or kettle.

Light straw hat may be cleaned by being brushed with flour of sulphur, moistened with lemon juice. Rinse the hat well with clear, cold water, but do not let it lie in water and soak.

Equal parts of turpentine and ammonia will take paint out of clothing, even if hard and dry. Saturate the spot as often as necessary and wash off the spot with warm soapy water.

To iron silk sprinkle the article to be ironed with water, then roll them tightly in a towel. After this it is easy to iron out the creases. Do not use a very hot iron, as the silk quickly discolors.

When purchasing tinned meat notice the tin. If it bulges outward in any part the meat is probably spoiled. An outward bulge being a sign that the tin was not properly sealed and air has got in.

## THE SUNDAY SCHOOL STUDY

### INTERNATIONAL LESSON, MARCH 19.

Lesson VII. The ministry of John the Baptist, Mark 1: 1-8; Luke 3: 1-20. Golden Text, Matt. 3: 2.

#### MARK 1: 1-8.

Verse 1. Mark does not concern himself with the earlier life of Jesus, but proceeds at once with the narrative of his public ministry and preaching, to which he refers as "the beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ." The proclamation of that gospel (glad tidings) continued even after the Christ was no longer among men. It began with the utterances that fell from the lips of Jesus himself. The use of the double name Jesus Christ indicates the established faith of the writer in Jesus as the Messiah, which faith is further defined by the addition of the phrase the Son of God.

2. In Isaiah the prophet—Only the substance of verse 3, not that of verse 2—is found in Isaiah (40: 3). The reference to my messenger is taken from Malachi 3: 1, a prophecy which was applied by Jesus himself to John the Baptist.

3. The voice of one crying in the wilderness—The figure in this instance, as in the prophecy of Malachi, is that of a forerunner sent by an Oriental monarch in advance of his journeys to see to it that roads and highways are cleared of obstacles and prepared for his use.

4. John came heralding in the wilderness the coming of One greater than an Oriental monarch, and preparing human hearts and minds to receive the Christ by the preaching of repentance unto remission of sins.

5. All the country—Multitudes of the inhabitants from all parts of Judaea. The appearance of this new prophet stirred the whole nation. Luke specifies publicans and soldiers and Matthew Pharisees and Sadducees as being among those who went out to the river Jordan to hear John preach.

6. Camel's hair—A leathern girdle—A short tunic of coarse camel's hair cloth (not of camel's skin), fastened about the waist with a girdle of corresponding simplicity, made probably of rough, untanned leather and like those worn by Bedouins and dervishes to-day.

Locusts—Wild honey—Food such as the desert afforded. In Lev. 11: 22 we find enumerated the species of wild locusts, the eating of which is permitted by law.

7. Mightier than I—So much mightier that John feels himself unworthy to render the service of a bondservant or slave.

Worthy—Greek, sufficient.

8. Water—Holy Spirit—The contrast gives us the key to John's humility. John's baptism unto repentance was in itself incomplete, even as repentance itself is incomplete and must be supplemented by the control of new impulses and aspirations (compare the parable in Matt. 12: 43-45).

#### LUKE 3: 1-20.

Verse 1. The fifteenth year—Probably A. D. 28-29, reckoning A. D. 11, the year when Tiberius was made the colleague of Augustus with equal authority over provinces and armies.

Tiberius Caesar—The second Roman emperor and successor to Caesar Augustus.

Pontius Pilate—The procurator or governor of Judaea, an inferior official position in the Roman empire, in view of the comparatively small importance to the empire of the province entrusted to him.

Herod—Herod Antipas, son of Herod the Great. In A. D. 40 he was banished to Spain. The entire public ministry of Jesus falls within the period of his reign, and most of it within the territory over which he ruled.

Tetrarch—One of four rulers, that is, ruler over one-fourth part of his father's dominion.

His brother—Really his half brother.

Ituraea—The valley region at the foot of Hermon.

Trachonitis—In the ancient territory of Bashan.

Lysanias—Otherwise unknown.

Abilene—A small province of Syria.

2. Annas and Caiaphas—Annas, the rightful high occupant of the office according to Jewish law, had been deposed by the Roman governor, and one after another his sons put in his place. The fourth of these was Caiaphas, who, from the time of his appointment (A. D. 18), was recognized by the Roman authorities as the rightful incumbent of the position. Loyal Jews, however, would still regard Annas as the real high priest.

3-6. Compare comments on parallel verses in Mark given above.

7. Offspring of vipers—A wilder metaphor and most appropriate in its characterization of the particular group of people to whom it was addressed.

8. We have Abraham to our father—Lineal descentance from Abraham was considered a sufficient guarantee of divine favor by most Jews.

Stones—Children—Hebrew,

banim... abanim—a play on words not lacking in emphasis.

9. The axe also lieth at the root of the trees—The axe of the gardener or husbandman, ready for use as the harvest shall determine which of the trees of the orchard are no longer profitable.

12. Publicans—That is, collectors or renters of Roman taxes; men who paid to the Roman government a specified sum in lieu of the taxes from a given district and who, by the collection of exorbitant taxes, then proceeded to enrich themselves.

13. Extort—Extortion was the common method of collection. Those who could escape paying naturally did so.

14. Soldiers—Greek, soldiers on service. The exhortation given these men indicates some of the wrongs they were commonly guilty of.

17. Fan—Such as were commonly used in connection with threshing, the grain being thrown, together with the chaff, against the wind, which, in driving back the chaff, permitted the grain to fall to the ground in a heap by itself, after which it was gathered into the garner.

Unquenchable fire—Not necessarily eternal, but unquenchable in the sense of beyond control or mastery.

19. For—Herodias his brother's wife—For whom he had divorced another wife, and whom he had persuaded to forsake her husband. Luke regards the indignity shown to the Messiah's forerunner in casting him into prison as among the greatest wrongs perpetrated by the wicked governor.

### A JOKE ON SERVICE.



Mr. R. W. Service.

Some time ago a British Columbian wrote a book of verse entitled "Derby Day in the Yukon," by Yukon Bill." The real name of the author did not appear, but who ever it was signed the name, "M. Markwell" in writing to the George H. Doran Company of New York, who published the book; and the Doran people wrote back to "M. Markwell, Esq."

When the book came out, Robert W. Service, the famous Yukon poet, received a copy from the publishers, and when in New York some time afterwards he sent this letter of appreciation to the head of the firm:

"Dear Sir: Shortly before leaving Dawson I received your book, 'Derby Day in the Yukon,' and beg to thank you for your kindness in sending it to me. I thought the book was bully good stuff and quite true of the Land God Forgot. I showed it among my friends, and much curiosity was expressed as to the identity of Yukon Bill. However, all agreed that the atmosphere, expression, and tone were the real thing, and that he is assuredly a Sourdough of an early vintage."

"Needless to say, I was immensely flattered at the lines addressed to myself. I thank the writer from the bottom of my heart and wish him all prosperity and success. I will write no more Yukon verse, so he has a clear field. In conclusion, I wish again to express my appreciation of his veracious and virile verses, and thank him for the genuine pleasure they gave me."

Sincerely yours,

"ROBERT SERVICE."

It now turns out that the book was written by a woman. And she had never seen the Yukon!

### HOW ANIMAL'S FEED.

When one thinks of the many curious ways in which common animals partake of their food, one realizes more than ever the vast difference there is between classes in the creature kingdom. For instance, the squirrel carries its food to its mouth by means of its paws, whilst the elephant uses its trunk. The grackle, ant-eater, and toad employ their tongues, but spiders masticate their food with horny jaws. The caterpillar is provided with saw-edged jaws, and uses them so well that every day he consumes at least three times his own weight in food. Frogs have only an upper row of teeth, and lobsters and crabs have a set of teeth in their stomachs. The tiger and lion do not grind their food as we humans do, as a matter of fact, their teeth only work with an up-and-down movement much like chopping-knives.

## THE ENERGY OF CHURCHILL

### NEW HEAD OF THE BRITISH ADMIRALTY.

Important Reforms Have Already Been Introduced in the Navy By Him.

Young Winston Churchill is being taken seriously by a large part of the British press and public, writes a London correspondent. This tribute to his ability has been a long time coming, but apparently many who were disposed to criticize his methods and temperament are now of the opinion that he has a certain force, which is being used for the good of the nation.

The change in public opinion in the matter has been sudden. A month or two ago Mr. Churchill was merely a bad boy hardly worthy of adult notice except in the way of admonition. The public would not forget a certain reported music hall episode of his early youth or the Sidney Street affair during his service as Home Secretary, when under his personal direction a body of troops and a considerable portion of the Metropolitan Police laid siege to a London tenement in which two alleged murderers were supposed to be hiding.

There was plenty of encouragement given to the public not to forget. Even now music hall comedians have fun with the young man. They parody Sir Joseph Porter's song from "Pinafore" with Mr. Churchill in Sir Joseph's place as First Lord of the Admiralty, "the ruler of the King's navy." "Winnie," they call him, and the audiences always laugh. None of the known peculiarities of Mr. Churchill escapes mention.

#### MEANING OF THE CHANGE.

There was a good deal of adverse comment when Mr. Churchill became Home Secretary in the Asquith Ministry. The Opposition newspapers refused to take him seriously. When he traded Cabinet places with Mr. McKenna, then First Lord of the Admiralty, much of the irony that would have been uttered by press and public at Mr. Churchill's expense was sidetracked in animated discussion of the meaning of the change.

There had been danger of war with Germany shortly before. That the Government had decided that the fleet needed an overhauling, an application of new methods, was generally accepted as the underlying reason. It was argued that the Government wanted more push and energy in the Admiralty, and that, in spite of all that had been said about him, nobody had push and energy developed better than this young man, half English, half American. The fleet is very dear to the average Britisher's heart, and the experiment of putting Winston Churchill at the head of the Admiralty was watched with varying degrees of hope and trepidation.

Mr. Churchill's first move was to have a new deal in the composition of the administrative body known as the Sea Lords. He appointed new men. There was much comment on this rather radical move, but on the whole it was not in the line of adverse criticism.

#### SURPRISING APPROBATION.

The recent creation of a naval general staff has been received with a degree of approbation that is surprising in view of what amounted to a habit in certain quarters to poke fun at anything of an administrative character for which Mr. Churchill was responsible. The general staff idea had its opponents, quite as active as its friends, and until Mr. Churchill took the bull by the horns and announced to the country that a general staff was to be created without saying "By your leave" to Parliament or anybody else, the opposition was in the ascendant. But when the thing was done there was a chorus of approbation and mighty little booing.

Under his authority as First Lord of the Admiralty Mr. Churchill has created an operations division and assigned a high ranking officer to take charge of it with the title of director. Other directors of other new divisions were assigned from the naval list.

"The personnel of the War Staff," he said in an explanatory memorandum, "will consist of naval officers fresh from the sea and returning to the sea fairly frequently."

#### ANOTHER REFORM

is provision for frequent consultation and co-operation between the army and the navy in the preparation of war plans.

"The navy and the army," to quote Lord Haldane, the Secretary of State for War, "are now going to co-operate in this problem of defence in a fashion they never did before." In his memorandum Mr. Churchill made it plain that he intended to do his utmost to abolish what he called "water-tight compartments," meaning the establishment of a bureaucratic system in which each bureau came to be sufficient unto itself without necessary co-ordination and co-operation in

the various elements of the naval establishment. To overcome this he intends to bring the heads of the General Staff divisions into frequent consultation with the chief of the General Staff, so that each will regard himself as part of a whole and not a separate entity, having no responsibility or relationship to the other branches of the naval establishment.

To guard further against falling into a rut Mr. Churchill has invited the entire commissioned personnel of the fleet to give play to professional opinion. That is a rather dangerous experiment in a great navy, but Mr. Churchill apparently believes that it will do good in brushing away the cobwebs that are bound to appear if constant effort is not made to destroy them.

Mr. Churchill has rather pleased a nation disposed to criticize his acts and is now experiencing the unusual pleasure of being regarded seriously.

### STAMP COLLECTING.

Great Many More Collectors Than Ten Years Ago.

Stamp collectors were interested some days ago by the first new Newfoundland postage stamps bearing the head of the Prince of Wales to arrive here.

The young prince, like his father, is an enthusiastic stamp collector. His collection was included in the London exhibition five years ago. One of its chief features is a unique collection of the stamps of his namesake colony, Prince of Wales Island, in which the Prince of Wales takes a keen interest.

Stamp collecting seems to be taking a firmer hold on its devotees, and making more recruits than ever. W. S. Lincoln, one of the best-known philatelists in London, England, says that there are thousands more collectors than there were ten years ago. Within that period, he says, stamp collecting has grown from an art to a science.

In the old days people collected for quantity, but now it is quality only that counts. Value is found to-day in watermarks. In some kinds of stamps perforations are the hallmark of excellence. In British stamps, for example, the rarest are those with fourteen perforations on the long side. But there are cases in which those with fourteen and a half or fifteen perforations are the prize specimens.

The penny and halfpenny stamps of King Edward always used to have fourteen perforations. The new stamp printers, whose first Georgian stamps raised an outcry, are still supplying halfpenny and penny Edward stamps, some of which have fourteen and a half and others fifteen perforations. Before long they will cease to issue King Edward stamps and these fourteen and a half and fifteen perforation specimens will become scarce, or even rare.

Another stamp which should soon become valuable is the Italian war stamp surcharged "Tripoli," as very issue continued only for a very short time.

### CRAZY QUERIES.

Short and sharp would be the shrift of the person who dared to intimate that every one of us at times utters in perfect good faith ridiculous—not to mention nonsensical—remarks. Yet the fact is indisputable. For instance, what can be more foolish than the question, "Oh, there you are, are you?" Yet this is asked scores of times a day. Just as absurd is the query, "Hello, going out?" put to one palpably preparing to leave the house. Equally wanting in sense is a question so often put by a wife to her husband, He is perhaps at the most crucial point in his morning shave, when the door bursts open, and his better-half exclaims, "Are you shaving, darling?" The darling's razor hand slips, leaving in its wake a lovely gash; and one could forgive him if he sarcastically exclaimed, "No! I'm just cutting myself!" And yet his wife would think him terribly irritable if he pointed out that her silly query was responsible for the damage.



### MISAPPREHENDED.

Gertie—"Those roses you sent me were lovely and fresh. I do believe there is a little dew on them still."

George—"Well, there is since you mention it; but I shall say it all shortly."



## PROSPEROUS SWITZERLAND.

### Lessons In Thrift We May Learn From the Alpine Republic.

The world owes the principles of the initiative and referendum to the little republic of Switzerland and would now be wise in taking a lesson from her in industry and thrift. It has been the commonest of expressions that the little Alpine country would starve to death were it not for the tourists, yet it takes care of all that want to come, and then sells abroad just about three times as much goods, man for man, woman for woman and child for child, as the United States does. All the articles produced, whether grown or manufactured, are individually of small value, still, even without the locomotives and expensive machinery which swell the totals of our home productions to such tremendous figures, the Swiss trade amounts to one-seventh of the U. S., although her population is less than a twenty-fifth. Italy with ten times her population has less than twice her foreign trade; Austria-Hungary can only double her population's figures, with 13 times her population; Japan, outnumbering her fifteen fold, can only come within four-fifths of the foreign trade of the little mountain republic; with all her tremendous territory Canada's foreign trade is less than that of Switzerland.

The reason for this noteworthy pre-eminence in trade is to be found in the industrious and economical character of the people and in the general establishment of home industries. The country people and residents of villages who are engaged in farm work or other occupations during the spring, summer and autumn spend the winter months in the production of various articles, the material for which is furnished by the manufacturers, who receive and pay for the finished products at a stipulated price. Textile manufactures, the production of watches, the making of straw braids and wood-carving form the bulk of the home industries which serve to swell appreciably the staple trade of the country. The Swiss are merely utilizing time which the American farmer is content to waste and for less than reason can afford to work for less than the laborers of other countries who depend on manufactures for their entire incomes. They waste nothing on show and stick close to home.

The extent of the nation's prosperity has been hardly suspected by the rest of the world, who pay more attention to the mountains than to the people. The tourist trade, of course, is considerable. Lausanne and nearly half a million visitors last year; Geneva, 250,000. But the moment Switzerland's foreign millions have turned their backs and gone home the peasants return to the ways of their fathers and the famous Alpine guides go back to the sheep-tending, the rattle herding and the woodcarving for generations. The women of the country are not averse to doing their share of the agricultural labor. Dressed almost like men, they take care of the cattle and do nearly everything that is required in the fields.

Nothing goes to waste among this happy, home-loving people—even time. Their important agricultural industry fits in with their manufacturing activities and the work at home supplements both.

### Her Sunday Jag.

When he tossed her \$50 at the breakfast table one Sunday morning and asked how long it would hold her, she simply shrugged her shoulders and smiled and continued her Sabbath-morn debauch with the third, sixth and fourteenth sections of a Sunday newspaper.

"Swagger fall coats of the snappy new style, with coronation collar, round-neck model, high waist-line, deep revers, kimono sleeves, wide waists, mulberrybrown buttons and fascinating shadowings. Exceedingly dressy, with soft, shimmering metallic effect. Charming!—the lustrous mesallines, gold-embroidered, poplin de chine and canard-velour hoods. Fillet of Venice insecton, with catwallow flouncings to match. Alice-blue luncaux and heliotrope shadow edging. Dashing reversible plaids, with macramé kid mousquetaires and prunella facings."

With these intoxicating words she was gradually yet surely taking on a jag that would soon dissipate the \$50 and keep poor hubby in a pickle.

### The Common People In Spain.

Spain is one of the most illiterate countries of the civilized world, yet also one of the best educated, unless education be merely that mass of undigested and commonly misapplied information absorbed within four walls. Says Henry A. Frank in "Four Months Abroad In Spain." Few men have more exact knowledge of a more solid footing on the everyday earth, than the peasant, the laborer, the muleteer of Spain. One does not marvel merely at the fluent, powerful, entirely grammatical language of these unlettered fellows, but at the sound basic wisdom that stands forth in their every sentence.

### Beans Make Rubber.

It has taken the Germans to use beans for making rubber. The process has just been patented. It consists in extracting the oil from the soya bean, treating this with nitric acid, and then heating the material to a given temperature, whereupon it becomes viscid and tough like crude rubber. It can then be vulcanized by the addition of sulphur, and used for the same purposes.

### Would Play Safety.

Marks: If you had to live your life over again would you marry the same woman?  
Parker: You just bet I would. I know what she is, and women are too uncertain for me to experiment with another one.

### In the North Woods.

Week End Sportsman—I just shot a deer, old chum.  
H. H. Gwent! Kill him?  
Week End Sportsman—I think not. He shot back!

## CASTING LOTS.

Curious Military Custom That Was Once In Vogue In Europe.

In the armies of the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries the custom of casting lots to decide what soldiers should be punished for the offences of all was common. At Winchester, England, in 1645, complaint was made that after the surrender there had been unfair plundering. Six soldiers were tried and found guilty, and it was decided by lot which one of the six should be hanged. At Tanguier in 1663 and again in 1665 two soldiers had to cast dice on a drumhead, and he who threw the least was executed. Thomas May's translation of Barclay's "Icon Animorum" gives a curious story of this sort. Speaking of English courage, he says that during the war in the Netherlands some soldiers of the Spanish party were taken prisoners by the Dutch, who decided to make reprisals for the previous cruelty of their enemies. Out of four and twenty men eight were to be hanged. "There were lots, therefore, thrown into a helmet," says May, "and the prisoners were commanded to draw their fortunes. Whoever should draw a blank was to escape, but whoever should draw a black lot was to be hanged presently."

"They were all," says May, "possessed with a great apprehension of their present danger, especially one Spaniard. Their pitiful wishes and tears in some of the standers-by did move pity, in other laughter. There was besides in that danger an Englishman, a common soldier, who, with a careless indifference, expressing no fear of death at all, came boldly to the helmet and drew his lot. Chance favored him; it was a safe lot. Being free himself from danger, he came to the Spaniard, who was yet timorous and trembling to put his hand into the fatal helmet, and, receiving from him 10 crowns, he entreated the judges—oh, horrible audacity!—that, dismissing the Spaniard, they would suffer him again to try his fortune."

May further relates that "the judges consented to the Spaniard's request, who, valuing his life at a low rate, and again drew a safe lot."

May seems rather to regret the second escape of the foolhardy Englishman, whom he denounces as "a wretch unworthy not only of that double but even of a single preservation, who so basely had undervalued his life."

### Sir David Brewster's Cat.

Sir David Brewster was one of England's greatest astronomers, but owing to nervousness he had a dislike for animals. He looked upon dogs as creatures to be avoided, but cats, he declared, gave him an electric shock each time they entered the room. One day a cat, having entered the house, found its way to the astronomer's study. Seeing him seated in his chair, busily writing, it ran to him, jumped upon his knee, and putting its paw on his shoulder, kissed him as distinctly as a cat could. Sir David was so surprised by pussy's audacity, and so touched by her affection that he forgot to feel the electric shock; his heart was won. From that time they were fast friends and every morning the cat's breakfast plate was filled by his hands.

### He Couldn't Find It.

A capital story has been recounted of a small lord, which Lord Alver of the name made to a needy friend. He lent the latter a sovereign, and then bet his money back. The second friend was very doubtful, however, and took the bet with alacrity. Some time afterwards Lord Alver met the latter gentleman, who sarcastically inquired: "Well, have you recovered the money from poor R— yet?" "No," replied his lordship, "and I shall not press him, for I have received a letter from him which is worth the money." The letter read as follows: "As the date has arrived when the £1 has to be repaid, please send a postal order for that amount, for I'm hanged if I can. Yours, etc."

### Hotel Bills In England.

The author of "Portugal Old and New" finds fault with English hotel keepers for using a printed form of bill on which the plain requirements of a simple traveler are lost amid a multitude of items. The result is that when a guest pays for a day's and a night's lodging he is positively almost ashamed at finding due receipts for his having wanted neither liquors nor stationery nor warm baths nor doghouse baths nor shower nor hot water nor plan nor the handkerchief and is apt to reflect what a poor, shuffling impostor of a guest he is to have had so few requirements.

### Stonchenge.

Stonchenge, like "Hambel," remains a mystery so far as its actual builders are concerned, but its actual builders, it is believed, were the Druids. The stones that stand on Stonchenge Plains in England, are the remains of some sort of structure supposed to have been built by the Druids in 1500 B.C. in memory of the British who were murdered by the Saxons. They are probably the remains of a Druid temple or inclosure. About the Druids we know very little except that they were the priests of a low, superstitious, and cruel religion, and that they were the early pre-Roman Britons.

### Resembling.

Rosemary, the charming name of the plant that is for remembrance, is not only frequently used in folk-lore, but legend, but has long been a favorite in gardens and woods for its "sweet water" and its fragrant flowers are branches. In the old English garden, it is a favorite in gardens and woods for its "sweet water" and its fragrant flowers are branches. In the old English garden, it is a favorite in gardens and woods for its "sweet water" and its fragrant flowers are branches.

### Oil Signs.

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### Rawdon Council

Rawdon Town Hall, Feb. 9th.

A special meeting of Rawdon Township Council was held on above date at the call of the Reeve for the purpose of accepting Mr. Daniel Scarles' resignation as Assessor, appointing his successor by passing a new By-law, and other business.

All members were present except Mr. Jeffs.

Moved by Mr. Hawkins, seconded by Mr. Thompson, that Mr. Scarles' resignation as read be accepted. Carried.

By-law No. 319 was passed in regular order repealing the name of Daniel Scarles from By-law, No. 314, and appointing George Drewey Assessor in place of said Daniel Scarles resigned. Council adjourned.

W. F. BATEMAN, Clerk.

### BRASS WORKERS.

There is a Dangerous Trade, and They Usually Die Young.

The present rate of mortality of the brass foundryman is two and a half times that of the farmer. Respiratory diseases, particularly consumption, account for the difference. Comparative tables based on sickness and invalidity, if obtainable, would show even greater differences.

The age statistics in the trade are startling. Of 1,751 brass foundrymen but seventeen over fifty years of age were found and a bare 200 over forty years of age. When asked the cause of this officials invariably stated: "They got too old. They can't turn out the work they should every day." But what sort of an industry is this in which nearly six-sevenths of its followers are too old at the age of forty? It is not thus among ironworkers, most of whom are hale and hearty even at sixty years and still able to turn out their full quota of work daily. Workmen claim they "are knocked out by the brass fumes."

These age statistics for Chicago workmen are no different from those of Sir Thomas Oliver gives in his book on "Dangerous Trades." "Only ten brass workers of 1,200 casters in Birmingham, England, were found living beyond sixty years. A superannuation insurance for brass foundries, to begin at fifty-five years of age, had only three applicants in a period of some ten years."

There is no cure for brass chills. But they can be prevented by striking at the cause. For such an important industry not to do so is like tolerating smallpox in a modern community. The workmen must be protected from the breathing in of brass fumes and foundry smoke. In large foundries with good ventilation, either natural or artificial, brass chills practically never occur.—Emery R. Hayhurst in Survey.

### HUNTING THE WOLF.

Trained Eagles Are Used by the Tartar Tribes of Asia.

There are many ways of hunting the wolf in Russia, some very curious and exciting and others as time as target practice. The most sportsmanlike way is by means of hounds, and all over Russia today there are well to do sportsmen who hunt the animal in this fashion. Wolves are also taken in pitfalls and shot, while still another way is to drive in a sleigh through the forest in time of hard frost, when the wolves are held with hunger. At the back of the sleigh one or more sportsmen lie snugly under their fur rugs with their rifles ready. A young pig is carried in the sleigh, and its cries soon reach the ears of the lurking wolves, who cannot resist following the sleigh and are speedily shot.

One of the most picturesque ways of hunting the wolf, perhaps, is that which one may see in the west of Asia on the bleak Kirghiz steppes. The Tartar tribes are wonderful horsemen, and they ride after the wolf in very large flocks. Not only are dogs used to overtake the quarry, but because a fleet wolf may not away from them, eagles are used, being trained to help the hunter in very much the same manner as falcons in other times. The great bird sits on the hunter's wrist until it is lost to sight. Then it soars into the air, sails after the quarry and swoops down upon it. Its duty is not to kill, but to "bait" the wolf by driving its wings in its face and driving its sharp claws into the animal's back. Such hunting makes capital sport for the riders; but, apart from this, wolf hunting is a real necessity in those parts, the brutes being far too partial to the lambs and kids of the Tartar flocks.—Wide World Magazine.

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The people who complain that life isn't worth living are not the ones who try to make it so.

The hardest part of pleasing a woman is to make her decide what she wants.

The average man's hands are not nearly so callous as his conscience.

Many a woman will swallow the maximum of flattery and the minimum of truth.

It is much easier to find fault than to lose one.

Many a fast young man comes home on the slow freight.

It takes a pretty big man to say just what he thinks.

Many a woman's longevity is due to the fear that her husband might marry again.

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### How Watches Vary.

Theoretically, says a jeweler, the best watches of today are perfect, but actually they both gain and lose time every day. Even if the good watch does not vary one second at the end of the twenty-four hours, the expert insists, it has both gained and lost in that time. If it is wound in the morning it runs fast and toward the next morning runs slow, thus equalizing the time. He says the best watches should be wound twice a day and then at only two-thirds of the capacity of the mainspring, thus preventing either binding or extremes of strong or weak ened spring. The balance wheel was expected to equalize differences of marring tension, but really this is not the case to what is called perfection.—New York Press.

### Angering It.

"How in thunder can you afford a motor, Binks?" demanded Harkaway. "Oh, I mortgaged my house and bought it," said Binks. "I am building a new garage now."

"Well, I never a garage, eh?" said Harkaway. "How the deuce are you going to pay for that?"

"Why, that's simple enough," said Binks. "I've mortgaged my car."

"But, my dear fellow, these mortgages will fall due some day, won't they?" asked Harkaway.

"Sure," said Binks, "but that'll be all right. Then I can mortgage the garage."

### Gave Himself Away.

After preaching on the occasion of the reopening of a restored church the bishop thanked the churchwarden, an old farmer, for his share in the good work. "And I must thank your lordship for your sermon," was the reply. "But I could not help thinking as you talked about it, that your lordship must have been a little wildish yourself when you were a young man."

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geons, Ontario.  
Office—One door north of new Bank of  
Montreal.  
Open every day. Evenings by appointment  
only.

**G. G. THRASHER,**  
SOLICITOR, NOTARY PUBLIC, CONVEY-  
ANCER, etc. Office in W. S. Martin's  
Block, Mill Street.

**PERSONALS.**

Miss Irene Barranger, of Big Island, is  
visiting her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs.  
Robert Reid, Edward St.

Miss Nora Bailey attended the Ep-  
worth League convention held in Belle-  
ville last week and spent the week end  
with her friend, Miss Nellie Totton, who  
is attending Queen's University in King-  
ston.

**Obituary**

**SIMON ARMSTRONG**

On Wednesday, January 31st,  
Simon Armstrong, a well-known and  
highly respected citizen of Rawdon  
Township, passed away at his home  
at Harold, after a brief illness which  
he bore with Christian fortitude and  
submission.

The deceased was in his 83rd year.  
He was born in Ireland, in the county  
of Fermanagh, where he resided until  
he was twenty-one years of age. At  
that age he came to Canada, and after  
residing a few years in Stirling, he  
moved to Marmora where he was mar-  
ried to Miss Eliza J. Leggett. From  
here, he with his wife and family,  
came to Harold, where he settled  
down at his late residence.

Mr. Armstrong was an ardent and  
zealous worker as a member of the  
Methodist church, and his private  
home was brightened by the influence  
of a kind and loving husband and  
father.

He leaves to mourn his loss a sor-  
rowing widow, two daughters, Mrs.  
Ira Whitton, Winnipeg, and Mrs.  
Wm. Broadworth, Sine; and two  
sons, Wm. of Montreal, and Arthur,  
of Troy, N. Y.

Thy feet grew weary on the way  
That led thee to the house of God;  
Still 'twas the way the Master trod,  
And led thee to the realms of God.

A dreamless sleep, soon, soon to wake,  
To see the city's gates unfold,  
And walk in white the streets of gold;  
To see the eternal morning break.

**JOSEPH MUMBY**

Joseph Mumby was born in Lincoln-  
shire, England, May 8th, 1836, and  
died at his residence in Bellevue,  
Rawdon Township, on January 29th,  
1912, aged 75 years. He came to Can-  
ada with his parents in 1844. In 1848  
they moved to Rawdon township, where  
he remained up to the time of his  
death. On May 12th, 1857, he was  
united in marriage to Miss Mary  
McComb. To them were born 12  
children. The eldest son died 35 years  
ago, in the 19th year of his age. The  
sorrowing members of the family are—  
Sam and Hiram, Swift Current,  
Sask.; Mrs. Wm. Linnen, Sask.; John,  
Manitoba; Mrs. C. L. Barrows, Cor-  
dova; Mrs. P. McInroy, West Hunt-  
ington; David, James, and Lindsay,  
of Rawdon; and Milda, at home with  
her mother. One brother, William,  
also survives him. In 1905 he retired  
from farm life. In 1907 they cele-  
brated their Golden Wedding, all the  
family being present except Mrs. Lin-  
nen. The funeral obsequies were held  
in the Spring Brook Methodist Church  
on Saturday, Feb. 3rd. His pastor,  
Rev. J. E. Moore, D. D., preached an  
effective sermon from the text, "Mark  
the perfect man and behold the up-  
right for the end of that man is peace."  
He was buried on the 12th concession,  
Rawdon.

For a sprain you will find Chamberlain's  
Liniment excellent. It allays the pain, re-  
moves the soreness, and soon restores the  
parts to a healthy condition. 25 and 50  
cent bottles for sale by all dealers.

**The Palms**

Don't forget our special of Corona-  
tion Cinn—a chance for you to remem-  
ber the coronation of our King and  
Queen.

All our Dinner Sets, Tea Sets,  
Fancy China, etc., at reduced prices  
to clear before stock-taking.

**A FEW SPECIALS FROM  
OUR GROCERY COUNTER**

Rolls Wheat, 8 lbs for.....	25c.
Rolls Oats, 8 lbs for.....	25c.
Corn Meal, 7 lbs for.....	25c.
Corn Flakes, 3 pks.....	25c.
Shredded Wheat, 2 pks.....	25c.
Best Seeded Raisins, 2 pks.....	25c.
Clemed Currants, 3 lbs.....	25c.
Choice Prunes, 2 lbs.....	25c.
6 Crown Eggs, 2 lbs.....	25c.
Dates, 3 lbs.....	25c.
Pure Castile Soap, 2 lbs.....	25c.
Empire Soap, 10 bars.....	25c.
Maple Syrup, per qt.....	25c.
Pure Maple Sugar, per cake.....	10c.

All kinds of Produce taken.

**J. L. ASHLEY**  
Goods promptly delivered. Phone 31

**ADVERTISING NOTICES**

In the local column will be charged as follows:  
To Regular Advertisers.—Three lines and un-  
der, 25 cents each insertion; over three lines,  
75c. per line. Matter set in larger than the or-  
dinary type, 10c. per line.  
To Transient Advertisers.—10c. per line each  
insertion. No insertion less than 25c.

**RAILWAY TIME TABLE.**  
Train called Stirling station as follows—  
GOING WEST. GOING EAST.  
Mail & Ex. 6:55 a.m. Passenger. 10:27 a.m.  
Passenger. 10:45 p.m. Mail & Ex. 8:41 p.m.

**The Stirling News-Argus.**

**THURSDAY, FEB. 15, 1912**

**LOCAL MATTERS.**

Wanted—A good optician for the  
Marmora Hockey Team.

Protesting sports is like the poor  
mechanic, always blaming his tools.

Are you trying to build up or knock  
down. Every knock you give will af-  
fect you.

"Poor lights," etc., if we lose, we'll  
protest; if we win, well, nothing said  
—Marmora Hockey Team.

Rev. T. C. Buchanan, Supt of Al-  
berta Missions, paid a transitory visit  
to Rev. Mr. Wright yesterday.

A High School entrance fee of \$1.00  
has been fixed by the Department of  
Education. The fee for junior matricu-  
lation has also been raised from \$5.00  
to \$8.00.

A Hockey match between the High  
School teams of Madoc and Stirling  
will take place on Stirling rink to-  
morrow night. Play will commence  
at 8 o'clock.

Don't forget the Pancake Tea in  
the Masonic Hall next Tuesday even-  
ing, Feb. 20th by the ladies of St.  
John's Church. Tea served from 5.30  
to 8 o'clock. Admission 25c.

A fine eight day clock is on display  
in Mr. G. W. Anderson's store win-  
dow, to be given away to the winner  
in the guessing contest in connection  
with his clearance sale now going on.

A large number of farmers are at-  
tending the live stock and seed judg-  
ing courses which are being held un-  
der the auspices of the Department of  
Agriculture in a large tent on the  
High School grounds.

The Canadian Home Journal for  
this month is a splendid number, and  
shows continued improvement in this  
excellent home magazine. In this  
number there is much valuable  
information on building and decorat-  
ing, with many fine illustrations in  
colors.

The Agricultural Societies of the  
Province will likely make an attempt  
to secure an increased grant from the  
Government this season to offset the  
loss entailed through the insurance  
plan, which last year took \$10,000 of  
the annual grant of \$75,000. One hun-  
dred and six farms out of 300 suffered  
loss from rainy weather.

**Another Win For Stirling**

The Stirling hockey team went to  
Madoc last evening to play against  
the team of that town, and were  
again victorious, winning the game  
by a score of 7 to nil.

**Militia Appointment**

40th Regiment, "Hastings Rifles"—  
To be Lieutenant-Colonel and to com-  
mand the regiment: Major J. W.  
Arnott, vice Lieutenant-Colonel A. H.  
Smith, who was transferred to the  
Reserve of Officers last January.

**Laymen's Missionary Movement.**

The local committee of the Interna-  
tional Laymen's Movement met at Dr.  
Walt's office on Monday evening, and  
after choosing Dr. Walt as chairman  
and Dr. Bissonnette as secretary for  
the year, made arrangements for the  
regular monthly meeting of the lay-  
men of this vicinity, for the study of  
missionary needs and methods, in the  
Methodist church basement next Sun-  
day, the 18th inst., at 4 o'clock, p. m.  
The meeting is for men and every  
man is cordially invited to attend.

**A Great School**

For the past thirty years the Peter-  
boro Business College has enjoyed an  
enviable reputation for thorough  
work and it is now conceded by all  
to be the largest and most popular  
school in Eastern Ontario. It is usually  
referred to as Eastern Ontario's  
High Grade Business School. Those  
hundreds of young people who cannot at-  
tend in person take advantage of our  
Home Study Department. Many  
others study for a time at home and  
then complete at the college. Any  
one who is desirous of success should  
write for particulars to the Peterboro  
Business College, Peterboro, Ont.

The Pope has issued an order that  
all Cardinals and other church digni-  
taries must decline to attend social  
functions where women are permitted  
to appear in décolleté gowns. The  
pope has long been opposed to the  
prevailing fashions in evening dress,  
and believes that this order will have  
a tendency to do away with low cut  
gowns in Catholic circles.

**Marmora Wins in the Commit-  
tee Room**

**Which They Could Not Do on the  
Ice**

As a result of the hearing of the pro-  
tests re the Trent Valley League  
hockey games, which was held in  
Havelock on Monday evening last,  
Marmora wins both protests, viz.,  
Tweed vs. Marmora and Marmora vs.  
Stirling. The former game was  
played in Tweed and won by the de-  
cisive score of 8 to 4, while the latter  
game was played in Marmora and was  
won by a score of 3 to 2 according to  
the decision made by the referees on  
the ice. The referee afterwards saw  
fit to change his decision and an-  
nounced the score as a tie, 3 to 3.  
Then in the committee room on Mon-  
day evening the Stirling club got an-  
other raw deal and the decision was  
again changed to 3 to 2 in favor of  
Marmora. From such work as this  
the conclusion must be reached that  
Marmora is bound to win, by fair  
means or foul, regardless of all sports-  
manship or any sense of fair play.  
However, no one in Stirling has lost  
confidence in their team, on the con-  
trary it only shows that the confidence  
reposed in them has not been mis-  
placed and every loyal citizen of Stir-  
ling is losing no sleep worrying over  
the final outcome, because they know  
that their team can always win on the  
ice when it is impossible to do so in  
the committee room.

**Stirling Women's Institute**

The first regular meeting of the  
Stirling Branch of the Women's Insti-  
tute was held in the office of the De-  
partment of Agriculture on Wednes-  
day, Feb. 7th, at 2.30 p.m. About  
twenty ladies were present and thir-  
teen new members were added to the  
roll.

The meeting was opened with the  
singing of "The Maple Leaf Forever,"  
after which the minutes of the organi-  
zation meeting were read, approved  
and signed. It was decided that this  
Institute enter the Summer Series of  
Women's Institute Lectures, particu-  
lars of which will be given later. A  
general discussion followed, when a  
number of the ladies gave their expe-  
riences feeding poultry for eggs, dress-  
ing poultry, and other interesting sub-  
jects. Readings were given by Mrs.  
Coulter, Mrs. Thompson, Mrs. Leamy,  
and Miss Parker. The subject for the  
next meeting will be "Housecleaning."  
After singing the National Anthem  
the meeting adjourned to meet on  
Wednesday, March 6th, at 3 p.m.

**Box Packing School at Stirling**

Under the auspices of the Depart-  
ment of Agriculture a local Box Pack-  
ing School was held in Stirling Town  
Hall on Feb. 5th, 6th and 7th. Messrs.  
W. F. Kydd, of Simcoe, and Leslie  
Smith, of Wellington, Prince Edward  
County, were in charge and both were  
delighted with the large attendance  
and great interest taken. As many  
as fifty packers were busy at one time,  
comprising both young men and men  
of mature years.

The special features of the Course  
were the excellent work of many of  
the amateurs in the plain packing and  
the more difficult work of wrapping  
and judging of packages. For excel-  
lence of their pack the following stu-  
dents secured the ribbons: W. Scott,  
first; F. Hubble, second; George  
Heasman, third. Most of the box  
packers were students in the Agricul-  
tural Short Course.

**County Orange Lodge**

The annual meeting of the County  
Orange Lodge of Central Hastings was  
held in Madoc on Tuesday, Worshipful  
County Master, Bro. Elgin Jackman,  
in the chair. About 75 delegates and  
visitors were present. The reports  
from the various districts showed the  
Order to be in a highly satisfactory  
and prosperous condition, the total  
membership of this County Lodge be-  
ing 1,265, a net gain of 76 during the  
past year. One new lodge, at Acton-  
ville, was instituted during the year  
with a membership of about 30. It  
was decided that no county procession  
be held this year, each district to ar-  
range for the 12th of July celebration  
as they saw fit. Inspiring and patri-  
otic addresses, dealing with prominent  
and important religious questions now  
before the country, were given by  
Bros. Sanderson, Martin, Timmon,  
and other members. The election of  
officers for the ensuing year resulted  
as follows:  
Co. Master—Bro. T. H. Thompson.  
Co. Dep. Master—Bro. W. E. Tun-  
nicliffe.  
Asst. Dep. Master—Bro. Simon Fox.  
Chap.—Bro. Rev. E. A. Sanderson.  
Rec. Sec.—Bro. Robt. Woods.  
Fin. Sec.—Bro. James White.  
Treas.—Bro. Walter S. Martin.  
D. of C.—Bro. Arch. Thompson.  
Lect.—Bro. W. Knox.  
Deputies—Bros. E. A. Morrow and  
T. McMullen.

North Hastings Review.

A passenger train for Madoc was  
stuck in the snowdrift about three  
miles from West Huntingdon for 30  
hours last week, and the passengers  
suffered severely from cold and starva-  
tion.

Many a man puts on his Sunday  
manners with his Sunday clothes.

**Auction Sales**

**WEDNESDAY, FEB. 21.**—At Spring Brook,  
a lot of Farm Stock and Implements be-  
longing to Mr. Charles N. Reid. Sale at  
1 o'clock. Wm. Rodgers, auctioneer.

**FRIDAY, FEB. 23.**—On lot 3, con. 1, Raw-  
don, the Farm Stock and Implements be-  
longing to Mr. T. H. Haggerton. Sale at one  
o'clock. Wm. Rodgers, auctioneer.

**THURSDAY, FEB. 29.**—On northwest quar-  
ter lot 21, con. 8, Rawdon, the Farm Stock  
and Implements belonging to Mr. Norman  
H. Weisman. Sale at one o'clock. Wm.  
Rodgers, auctioneer.

**Married**

**LAKE-HAMILTON.**—At the residence of the  
bride's parents, Sidney, on Feb. 9th by Rev.  
W. S. Barker, Robert Lake and Miss Leafe,  
daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Hamilton,  
all of the township of Sidney.

**REDFORD-MORROW.**—At St. John's Church,  
Stirling, on Wednesday morning, Feb. 14th,  
by Rev. B. F. Myers, M. A., Ethel Maynard,  
youngest daughter of Charles Maynard, River  
Valley to Gilbert B. Redford, Campbellford.

**Deaths**

**HUBBLE.**—In Sidney, on Feb. 13th, Melissa  
Louise Hubble, wife of M. Chas. W. Hubble,  
aged 59 years, 2 months and 21 days.

**ALCOMBRACK.**—In Stirling, on Feb. 14th,  
George Wesley Alcombrack, aged 28 years, 8  
months and 4 days.

The funeral will take place on Friday, 16th,  
leaving the residence of Mr. Arthur Hulin at  
1 o'clock, a.m. Service at the Methodist  
Church.

**Tax Notice**

All Taxes due for the township of Raw-  
don must be paid on or before the 1st of  
March, otherwise costs will be incurred.  
R. BAILEY, Collector.

**Stray Dog**

Came to the premises of the undersigned  
on or about the 9th inst., a Collie bitch.  
The owner is requested to prove property,  
pay charges and take her away.

**BLAKE FAULKNER,**  
Lot 8, Con. 7, Rawdon.

**Found**

On the road near my premises, a pair of  
crutches. The owner can have the same  
by proving property and paying for this  
notice.

**W. J. HAGERMAN**

**For Sale**

100 acres of land, more or less, west half  
of lot 2 in the 7th concession of Rawdon.  
Good brick house and barn, good orchard  
and a never failing creek. Apply on the  
premises to  
**WILLIAM H. HEAGLE**

**GOOD DRIVER FOR SALE**

Coming five years old. Well bred and  
quiet. For particulars apply to  
**EDWARD SCARLETT,**  
Wellman's Corners.

**For Sale**

The south half of Lot 6, Con. 9, Sidney  
township, said to contain about 80 acres.  
For particulars apply to  
**NORMAN GREEN,**  
Gilmour P. O., Ont.

**NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC**

I wish to state that I intend carrying on  
the Marble and general business here un-  
der the name of the Stirling Marble  
Works. Thanking one and all for their  
liberal support in the past, I hope to re-  
ceive your patronage in the future. Mr.  
John Tanner will act as agent for me.

**JOHN MOORE,**  
Stirling, Feb. 8th, 1912.

**In The High Court of Justice**

**Re Farmer's Co-operative Store, A. L. Mc-**  
**Donald, Esq., of Marmora, Solicitor for**  
**the Liquidator, until the 17th February,**  
instant, for the purchase of the outstand-  
ing book accounts and notes owing to the  
said Company.

Particulars can be obtained from A. H.  
Reid, Liquidator, and A. A. McDonald, at  
Marmora.

Dated 5th February, 1912.  
**S. S. LAZIER,**  
Master.

**Dissolution of Partnership**

Notice is hereby given that the part-  
nership heretofore existing between the un-  
dersigned under the firm name of Moore  
& Campbell has this day been dissolved  
by mutual consent. All debts due the  
said firm must be settled by note or cash  
at the Bank of Montreal, Stirling.

Dated Feb. 1st, 1912.  
**JOHN MOORE,**  
**JOHN CAMPBELL,**  
R. M. Whylock, Witness.

**FREE SHORT COURSES**

**IN**  
**Live Stock and Seed Judging**  
**WILL BE HELD IN STIRLING ON**  
**Wednesday, Thursday & Friday,**  
**February 14, 15 and 16**

The object of the Course is: To give  
training in the judging of Horses, Cattle,  
Swine and Seed Grain. The very highest  
types of animals and grain available will  
be used by the Lecturers to illustrate the  
desirable as well as the undesirable in  
Live Stock and Seed selection.

**PROGRAMME:**

**WEDNESDAY, Feb. 14, 1.30 to 4.30, p. m.,**  
Dairy Cattle, H. S. Stevenson, Ancaster.

**THURSDAY, Feb. 15, 9.30 to 12.00, a. m.,**  
Swine, R. F. Mallory, Frankford.

**1.30 to 4.30 p. m., Seeds, T. G. Raynor,**  
Ottawa.

**FRIDAY, Feb. 16, 9.30 to 12.00, a. m.,**  
Light Horses, Dr. H. G. Reid, Georgetown.

**1.30 to 4.30 p. m., Heavy Horses, Dr. H.**  
**G. Reid, Georgetown.**

A large tent has been secured and will  
be erected near the High School, Stirling.  
No trouble or expense will be spared to  
make everyone comfortable. The tent  
will be well seated and well heated.

Admission to all sessions is FREE, and  
everybody is welcome. At a similar  
course in Madoc last year 40 people at-  
tended. Come out and help the largest  
Agricultural Class in the Province to  
make this Course a success.

**G. W. ANDERSON**

In order to make room for  
our New Spring Stock we are  
starting on

**Saturday, Feb. 10th**

**OUR**  
**Great Annual Discount Sale**

All Winter Goods will be sold  
at prices greatly below cost.  
See large bills for particulars of  
this Sale. Also see bills for par-  
ticulars of the

**GREAT GUESSING CONTEST**  
which we will run in connection  
with this Sale.

**SPECIAL—During this Sale we**  
will pay 33 cents per pound for  
Fresh Roll Butter.

**G. W. ANDERSON**  
Phone 29 Goods delivered promptly.

**BIG CLEARING SALE**

We are still giving BIG DISCOUNTS to clear out the balance of our  
**WINTER FOOTWEAR**  
Now is your chance to save from 20 to 25 per cent.  
Our policy is to not carry over any Winter Goods, as we need the space  
for our new Spring Shoes which are beginning to arrive.

**BIG BARGAINS**  
In OVERSHOES, FELT BOOTS, HEAVY RUBBERS, HOCKEY  
BOOTS, ETC.

**J. W. BROWN**  
Anyone presenting this advertisement to us on Saturday, February 10th,  
will receive one bottle of Shoe Dressing.

**STOCK FOOD**  
INTERNATIONAL AND DR. HESS  
These are two of the greatest Stock Foods on earth.  
They will keep your Colts, Calves and Pigs thrifty and grow-  
ing rapidly in the coldest weather.  
The DISTEMPER CURES are guaranteed to cure  
Coughs, Colds and Distemper.  
The LOUSE KILLER will rid your hen house and  
poultry of Lice.

**SKATES**  
We have a few pair left and are offering a discount of 20  
per cent.

**McGEE & LAGROW**  
Phone 25.

**For Sale**

Two pure bred Holstein Bull Calves.  
Also two grade Cows.  
**GEORGE M. SHARP,**  
Lot 17, con. 4, Rawdon.

**THE BEST COAL**

Of all kinds always in stock. Coal  
sheds at G. T. R. Station. Small quan-  
tities of any kind can always be had at  
McKee's Hargest Shop.  
Telephone No. 38.  
**T. H. MCKEE.**

**Stirling Crist Mill**

The subscriber has now the old Stirling  
Grist Mill thoroughly fitted up and is pre-  
pared to do grain cracking promptly, and  
would ask the public to call and give him  
a trial.  
He also has in stock and for sale Flour,  
Bran, Shorts, and other feeds. Prices  
will be found right.  
**ROBERT REID,**  
143a

**Elm Wanted**

Good, round, straight, Swamp Elm, cut  
10 to 15 ft. long, wanted at Morgan's  
Mill, Spring Brook.  
**JOHN MORGAN**

**NOTICE**  
**TO USERS OF ELECTRICITY**

Kindly note the following changes:  
A new Office has been opened up in  
the McKee block, formerly occupied  
by Mr. Bogart.

No further accounts will be sent to  
customers, the customers being re-  
quired to call and settle at above Of-  
fice.

Office hours for collection of ac-  
counts will be from  
9.30 to 11.30, a. m.  
2.00 to 5.00, p. m.  
7.30 to 9.30, p. m.

on the first three legal business days  
of each month.

The Department will add 10 per  
cent. on every account not paid on  
above dates, and a further 10 per cent.  
on same for each and every month  
overdue.

**DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRICITY**  
CORPORATION OF STIRLING.

The NEWS-ARGUS to new subscri-  
bers to Dec. 31st, 1912 for 75 cents.

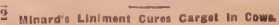


Dr. Williams' Pink Pills Help the  
Blood and Make You Well.

At last Dr. Morse's Indian Root Pills were brought to my notice, and they were one of the most wonderful medicines I have ever known. My blood was purified in a very short time, sores healed, my indigestion vanished. They always have a place in my home and are looked upon as the family remedy."

Dr. Morse's Indian Root Pills cleanse the system thoroughly. Sold by dealers at 25c a box.

The temperance orator was wa  
ing eloquent.  
"What," he demanded, "wh  
causes more misery than liquor?  
"Thirst," responded a hus  
voice from the rear of the hall.



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who have been benefited by its use.

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Sole Props.      50 50th, N. 1







## THE POPULAR SHOE STORE'S

### Money-Saving Prices for February

All winter goods must be sold this month to be replaced by our New Spring Stock, and rather than carry them over we will give BIG BARGAINS on

MEN'S AND WOMEN'S FELT BOOTS, LEGGINGS, OVERSHOES, ETC., MEN'S OIL TAN LARRIGANS, HEAVY STUB PROOF RUBBERS, ALL KINDS OF FANCY FELT SLIPPERS, DEERSKIN MOCCASINS, HEAVY SOX, AND ALL WINTER HOSIERY.

SPECIAL REDUCTIONS also in Men's, Boys' and Ladies' Hockey Boots, including the famous

### "McPHERSON LIGHTNING HITCH"

We are also giving special discount in Men's and Ladies' Fine Boots. Call while we have your size.

It will indeed pay you to call before purchasing elsewhere, as we guarantee everything exactly as advertised or your money refunded.

**GEO. E. REYNOLDS,**  
SHOE KING

## The Mutual Life

### ASSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA

Has just closed its 42nd year, and did over \$10,000,000.00 of new business, the largest amount it ever did in any year. Its assets are now over \$18,000,000.00 and its surplus is \$3,300,000.00, its business in force over \$70,000,000.00. We sell as good an article in our line as money can buy.

Information cheerfully furnished by

**BURROWS, of Belleville.**

## IT IS UP TO YOU

To protect your family from the ravages of disease and infection, and the rigors of winter; to make your home the abode of Health and Happiness.

Statistics tell us that there were over 250,000 deaths in North America last year from Fever and Pneumonia; over 90% of these cases were traceable to out-door closets, and all were the result of insanitary conditions.

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Sir James Whitney has announced that he will ask for \$5,000,000 for northern Ontario.

Sir William R. Meredith has been appointed to investigate the failure of the Farmers' Bank.

An appropriation of a million dollars for good roads in Ontario will be included in the supplementary estimates.

Sir James Whitney announced that the Government had not abandoned its plan to establish a Hydro-Electric Department.

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## MODERN MONASTICISM

BRITAIN IS DOTTED WITH RE-TREATS OF RELIGIOUS ORDERS.

Trappists, Whose Regime Is Strictest In the Papal Rule, Are to Be Found In at Least Four Places—They Rise at Two in the Morning and Are Bound to Implicit Obedience and Silence—Other Orders.

Two o'clock in the morning is the hour at which the Trappist monk rises from his cheerful bed. Summer and winter alike the hoarse-throated bell rouses him at that time to begin his working day. On Sundays he gets up half an hour earlier, but never later.

The Order of La Trappe is the most rigorous in the Papal faith. Its followers are bound by vows to perpetual silence, and remain dumb, except when addressing the abbot or the confessor. Indeed, from the moment they don their white habit of brother their lips are sealed to mundane matters.

In the United Kingdom there are several monasteries of the Trappist Order. There is one at Mount St. Bernard, in Leicestershire, and another in Devon; in Ireland there are two at least.

Each of the above monasteries is self-contained and self-supporting. The monks, by their work, not only keep themselves, but are most philanthropic towards the poor of the neighborhood. They accept practically nothing of the outside world, and a happier, more carefree set of men it would be hard to find.

Head of the monastery is the Father Abbot, who is an autocrat indeed, enforcing the strictest obedience, and wielding a discipline as simple as it is adamant. Then there are the brothers who wear the white habits, and a few lay-brothers, or novices, garbed in sombre brown. These lay monks are not enjoined to silence, but none of them knows the day when he will be called upon to relinquish speech and assume the white costume, and each is eager for that day to dawn.

The food of the monks, says Answers, consists of bread, vegetables, butter, occasionally fruit and cheese, and milk is the only drink allowed them. They take two meals a day, dinner being served at eleven in the morning in the refectory by the brother butler. The refectory is a long apartment, with two plain deal tables running its entire length, the abbot's place at the head. The monks take their seats on simple benches, and before each is set his food, pitcher of milk and napkin.

Except during his ablutions, no monk is allowed to remove his habit. He literally lives in it. Even at night, on the straw mattress on which he sleeps, he must wear it. When he dies it becomes his only coffin as his body is laid in the shallow grave in the monastery cemetery.

After the church, the chapter-house is the next important part of the building. It consists of one main apartment, in which each brother has his stall, and the abbot a kind of throne. It is here that lectures are delivered and books read to the assembled monks. The cloisters—passages adorned with stone pillars and groined roof—are for exercise and meditation. The almshouse is where the poor are relieved. The farms attached to the monasteries are known as granges—hence the name so many of our old country houses bear.

The dormitory is divided into cubicles, on the door of which appears the name of the brother to whom the cell is allotted, and then there is a well-furnished library and manuscript room.

As a building apart there is the guest house, where visitors are received and entertained, and it is a fact that no fees are asked for the hospitality extended, all coming being warmly welcomed, and invited to stay for varying periods. In one monastery the period is a fortnight, in another it is a magnanimous three months. I got a direct subscription to the unostentatious box in the hall, they may do so; but no visitor at a Trappist monastery has ever been asked for the contribution of a penny-piece.

And in this mediæval setting, surroundings that take one back several centuries in history, the present day jostles openly with the past. The bakery is as up-to-date as anyone would find in the metropolis; the mechanical kneader is worked with the aid of a turbine engine that harnesses a mountain stream. The same machine turns the massive churn in the dairy. Giant stone crushers for preparing road material, the very latest in agricultural implements, a mechanical device for milking cows, even are to be found.

Rising at two in the morning, and retiring to rest at six-thirty in the winter and seven p.m. in summer, the worthy monks spend their day in varying ways. The church occupies a good deal of their time, naturally, and study and meditation fill in a large part of the waking hours. Certain brothers attend to the farms, which are noted for the excellence of their stock, others in the dairy and bakery. Then there are the skilled handicraftsmen, who are levied on to the workshop. In connection with the monastery there is also a college, where some hundred odd students are educated at more or less nominal fees.

Again, there are the monks who attend to the church itself—the sacristan, for instance, who has charge of the sacred vessels.

In the United Kingdom there are at the present time literally scores of monasteries, and a number of varying orders. Many of them give asylum to homeless monks and nuns who have been expelled from other countries. There are Carthusians, Carmelites, Dominicans, and Benedictines, to name a few of the orders, and one of the largest monasteries is that at Parkminster, in Sussex, better known as Cowfold Abbey.

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## PARIS BUNKO.

A High Class Game Played By the Slick French Artists.

Paris bunko is refined, rampant, and chooses a shining mark. During the past summer and autumn quantities of tourists regretted the mention of their losses, and begged the Paris papers to remain quiet. The confession of the bait proved too humiliating—the hope of entering titled society! Alas, how sad that these social climbers should be so easily duped. How they would shine in the social world to be sure! Such brilliancy of mind, and keenness of intellect—my, my!

All these elegant bunks, they say, are of the school of Heinrich Wyler, sentenced to four years in St. Petersburg, "a natural born patrician," the Duke of the Abruzzi called him, and, according to Lombroso, a "return freak," jumping back through centuries, perhaps, to the personality of some prodigious and terrible and magnificent unknown ancestor of high degree.

As a boy of 17, Heinrich was publicly whipped by his father for pestering a girl of the village with his addresses. He ran away, worked as a clerk in France, went to Monte Carlo, won \$5,000, and in a more treacherous trip through Spain and Italy he picked up the charm, polish and languages which made him famous. Three years later, when he became the Duke of the Abruzzi's secretary, he spoke French, German, Spanish, Italian and English.

Presented as a prodigy of Lombroso, the great criminologist examined him, admitted his genius, but pronounced him to be "a person not fit to be at large," which killed him with the duke, and started him on his great career of bunko, as Count Halwyl. Without doubt, his most brilliant feat was the bunking of the diamond bracelet of the Russian ambassador's wife at Rome. As the lady was seated in her box at the Royal Opera, elegant Count Halwyl entered, introduced himself and said that the Queen had admired the bracelet and would like to inspect it. Naturally, the lady handed it over.

Bunko always seems impossible when told in print, for the magnetic influence is missing; but in this case it is stoutly asserted that neither the Queen nor the lady saw the latter's bracelet after the bogus count got his fingers on it so cleverly.

### Supports the Cycle.

The new Inspector-General of Home Forces, Lieut.-General Sir Charles Douglas, is a great believer in the value of cyclists' corps, and once remarked, "Give me 10,000 well-disciplined cyclists and I will guarantee to hold up any invading army that attempts to land on our shores." In this connection he tells an amusing story. One day during some manoeuvres he found a troop of men sitting under a hedge calmly watching an opposing force of cyclists rapidly approaching them. He called the attention of the subaltern in command to the fact that he was in danger of being cut off from the main army. "Don't you worry, sir," came the reply. "I have peppered the road with sixpennyworth of tin tacks. Wait till they get off to repair their punctures and see me round-up the whole of them in next to no time."

### The Peace Palace and War.

The Matin, Paris, is ironically demanding the immediate restriction of the peace palace at The Hague. "When its construction was decided upon," The Matin notes, "the Anglo-Bor war broke out, and plans were laid for the Russo-Japanese war; when the first stone was laid the Kaiser made his first voyage to Tangier, which event was the beginning of the Morocco-European complications; when the first floor was finished Austria seized Bosnia and Herzegovina; when the second floor was completed the Franco-German controversy arose, and when the roof was put on the Turko-Italian war began."

### Ruins of an Ancient City.

Adjoining Lake Titicaca, in Peru, lie the ruins of a great city whose origin was as much a matter of conjecture 900 years ago as it is today, according to the records of the Incas. The stone walls of the largest buildings were of excellent workmanship, and the gateways were elaborately carved. Evidence in abundance exists that the inhabitants were skilled masons. At present the region is cold and arid and entirely incapable of ripening cereals. It is inhabited by a few hardy mountaineers. It is evident that the climate is entirely different from what it was when the plateau was the centre of a large population.

### The Real Thing in Obedience.

As indicating with what exact obedience the Oriental servant obeys his master's orders, a distinguished British diplomatist, tells of an incident in India.

It appears that an eminent British general during a campaign in that country had ordered his man to prepare a bath at a certain hour. One day a fierce engagement was going on, but the servant made his way through a storm of bullets and appeared at the commander's side.

"Sahib," said he, "your bath is ready."

### They Ate Him.

"Spare me!" cried the captive, "and I will be your slave for life. I am a cook by trade, and I can make you any dish, you desire."

"Well," replied the cannibal king, "you do look as if you would make a good dish. I think we can use you."

This reply, being somewhat ambiguous, left the captive in doubt but not for long.

### Cautious.

"Gustave's letters to me are exceedingly dull and commonplace," said one fair girl.

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### NEITHER EAGER NOR RESTLESS

The Chinese Do Not Fack a Time by Years But by Cycles.

The average Chinaman, writes G. A. Dorsey, Ph.D., LL.D., with a confidence born of centuries, has faith in himself and ordinarily walks alone. His real interest in life is rice. That is the foundation of his happiness. But he shows up a kind of contentment on an empty stomach which at first surprises and then disgusts the westerner. We have largely abandoned the idea that life on this earth is merely a passing show, and we try to "live it hard," as we say, to make every day and every hour count. Perhaps that is because we are new and fresh.

The oriental has developed a philosophy about which much is said and little understood. We think it leads to stagnation on the one hand, fanaticism on the other; that there is no middle ground. We even misunderstand the Chinese conception of destiny. We are surprised that he ever puts up a fight for self-preservation. He is too human not to do that. Only in defeat does he see a manifestation of the will of the gods. What he cannot help is what has happened. Then, too, he has an idea that after all the struggle is more or less futile. But this does not weaken his courage or detract from his vigor. He it takes the edge of desire. He is less inclined than the rest of the world to break his neck over things.

He does not reckon time by years but by cycles. He has before him a conception of a continuity of life unknown to us. The important dates of his history are not 1492, 1620, and 1776, or even 1909. Not even the year 1. I doubt whether the lapse of time between the death of Confucius and the birth of the present child Emperor seems as great to the Chinese as that between Washington and Taft seems to Americans. The Chinese is accustomed to the idea that things have been about the same for countless ages and that the world will get on in about the same old way. At any rate, for him, the individual, it will be all the same a hundred years from now. He will be living, held in honor, and in spirit comfortably clad and fed; more powerful and able to exert more influence than at any other period of his existence.

So the Chinese, until recently at any rate, were without many of the worries which drove the west to voyages of plunder and conquest. They developed a kind of hardheadedness and with it a belief that it does not pay to worry or to be too eager or too restless. They settled back, fitted themselves into the landscape, and tried to live; spent all their spare time in living, talking to their children, and their birds, and trees, and hills. Doubts would arise now and then, of course, and event. But there was always a simple way out—pass the decision up to a favorite god, just as we cut the cards or shake the dice.

### Queen of Pipes.

The queen of pipes belongs to the Shah of Persia. Why is the great chieftain of pipes a queen? Probably because a pipe is a feminine noun in French. The little Shah's pipe was given to him by his father before him and by his uncle and by his grandfather, and how many more of his rulers. The Darius' kingdom cannot be told. The pipe is adorned with all the precious stones, and is said to be worth \$50,000. It is constantly guarded by a high court functionary, for once upon a time a grand vizier was caught trying to pry out a stone from the pipe with his pincers. He was immediately beheaded, and the brave soldier who had prevented the theft was made guardian of the pipe, with a pension for life.

### Artificial Fog for War.

The newest weapon in naval warfare may be a chemical fog spread broadcast over the water. The inventor claims he can produce fog artificially, miles in extent. He proposes to equip battleships with the proper chemicals and apparatus, which, upon being attacked, may surround themselves with a thick blanket of mist. It is argued that this barrier would be more formidable than steel armor-plate, since the enemy could not detect the presence of the ship. The friends of the invention believe that the discovery marks an important step for international peace.

A large number of American citizens have been asked to contribute a million dollars to help Chinese famine sufferers.

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### Co-Operation in Agriculture

The experience of Canadian Agriculturists during the past few years has proved conclusively that the best kind of organization to promote their own interests is not the joint stock company, but the co-operative association. The truth of this statement is sufficiently confirmed by the proceedings of the agricultural conventions last week under Government auspices at Ottawa.

The co-operative association has the great advantage of stimulating rather than repressing private enterprise, for which the joint stock company substitutes corporate activity. It has long been notorious to students of industrial conditions that it is difficult to find an employee who is as watchful of the interests of his employer as he would be of his own. Fortunately, large farms are not necessary to business success. They are quite often a hindrance. A man working his own small farm intensively can usually secure a better return for his capital and labor than either an individual or a company can do by the less thorough treatment that seems inseparable from the large farm system.—Globe.

### Boys in Militia Camp 6 Days

Ottawa, Feb. 19th.—Col. the Hon. Sam Hughes has worked out many of the details of this summer's cadet training. The lads are to be given six days in camp under conditions designed to safeguard their physical and moral well being. The basis of organization will be the school. Lads from a group of schools in a township or town will be formed into a company, and the companies will be combined as county regiments.

The camps will be regimental ones. The boys will be trained in their own counties, in carefully selected sites. The cadets' instructors, clergymen, etc., accompanying them will be transported, clothed and fed, free. No pay, however, will be given. No liquor or tobacco is to be allowed to be sold or used in camps. Friends of the boys will be invited to visit them in the camps, and inspect the accommodation provided and the arrangements made. If they desire to supplement the boys' rations, which will be on a generous scale, with additional delicacies, no objection will be made. Entertainment in the form of band music, etc., will be provided. A feature of the training will be rifle practice with with miniature rifles.

### Madoc Junction Items

Several from here attended the Sunday evening service at the Baptist church, Sidney, to hear the Rev. Mr. Smith, of Belleville.

Rev. E. A. Tonkin gave us another splendid discourse on prayer last Sabbath. Miss Mildred Clarke sang an appropriate solo.

People here are wishing the roads were better so they might attend the special meetings at Halloway now being carried on by Rev. Mr. Brown of Foxboro.

Another "At Home" is under way for Wednesday evening at Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Clarke's, it being their wedding anniversary.

Mrs. Andrews' Sunday school class of girls enjoyed a Valentine party on Tuesday evening, the 13th. The party did not break up till the 14th. Boy friends were also invited.

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Eggleton were at home to a number of their friends on Friday evening. All report a very pleasant evening.

Mrs. Eggleton, of Bannockburn, returned this week from Toronto General Hospital with her little daughter. Her friends here will be pleased to know the little girl's operation was successful. Mrs. Andrews has been in Toronto a few days and returned with Mrs. Eggleton.

John C. Phillips, manager of the Union Bank at Belleville, died in the hospital from injuries received in a fire in the bank premises some weeks ago.

The Belleville Board of Education has decided to introduce the penny savings bank system in the public schools. Mr. C. M. Reid, Chairman of the board, and Col. Ponton were appointed representatives to the Imperial Conference of Teachers' Associations, which is to meet in London, England, in July.

### Harold

Mrs. N. Fair has returned home from visiting relatives at Bayside.

Mrs. R. Cooke, of Stirling, spent a few days with friends here.

Mrs. W. Webb, and Mrs. Arthur Parkit, of Belleville, visited Mrs. Theo. Reid one day last week.

Mr. Albert Tompkin is slowly gaining.

Little Miss Gladys Reid is the guest of her nieces Miss Mabel E. Burkit.

Mrs. James Bailey who had typhoid fever is some better.

Miss Norah Bailey visited Miss Nellie Totten at Kingston recently.

Miss Ira Whitton, of Winnipeg, is still with her mother, Mrs. Armstrong, of Stirling. Mr. Earl Bailey is slowly recovering from a severe attack of pneumonia.

Mr. Wm. J. Armstrong, of Montreal, who attended the funeral of his father, the late Simon Armstrong, of Harold, is still with his mother here.

From another Correspondent.

Miss Kathleen Bailey, of Guntersburg, spent Saturday and Sunday under the parental roof.

We are glad to report that Mrs. Earl Bailey is improving after a severe attack of pneumonia also Mrs. James Bailey who has been confined to her bed for the past six weeks with typhoid fever and pleurisy. Dr. Zwiek was in attendance.

Miss Beatrice Martin was the guest of Miss Valla Runnalls on Sunday last.

Mr. and Mrs. John Scott, of Sine, called on the sick here on Sunday.

Mr. W. H. Gordonier, 2nd Con. Siney, is spending the winter with his daughter, Mrs. James Bailey.

Mrs. Pool is visiting her daughter, Mrs. C. B. McGuire.

Doesn't our store-keeper cut a swell with his new cutter?

Mr. Albert Tompkin who has been ill is reported better.

Mr. W. J. Armstrong has returned to Montreal after laying to rest his father, Mr. S. Armstrong. Mrs. Ira Whitton, of Winnipeg, is here also on the same sad mission. She intends remaining with her mother a time yet before returning to her home in the West.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. McGuire and family spent Sunday with friends in Thomasburg.

### Glen Ross

Last week Mr. and Mrs. Balfour, of Frankford, paid Mr. and Mrs. Anderson a short visit.

Last Friday Mrs. S. Holden and Mrs. F. Hubel visited friends in Thurlow.

Mr. Dan Hagerman and family, of Tyendinaga, is visiting his father and other friends this week.

Mr. Harvey Anderson intends moving back on the old homestead on the island.

We regret to say that Nurse Wilson, who has been nursing Mr. S. Hubel during his recent illness, intends leaving as Mr. Hubel is now completely recovered. Miss Wilson is taking another case in Northport, and will be much missed by her many newly made friends.

Mrs. B. L. Brooks and Miss Alma, having spent two months visiting her mother-in-law, Mr. E. Brooks, intend leaving this week to return to their own home in Semans, Sask.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hammond, of Campbellford, spent Sunday with his parents.

On Friday evening Mr. Smith attended the annual A. B. H. and pronounced held in the Peterboro Normal School.

Mr. S. Hoard intends leaving this neighborhood to take up residence in Stirling.

### Spring Brook

Rev. Dr. Moore announced last Sunday that he would commence revival services in the Methodist church here on Monday evening next, Feb. 26th.

The preacher had to start the tunes in church last Sunday. No choir.

The roads here are bad. Pitch holes are awful.

Sam Numbly has returned to Swift Current, Sask.

The Canadian Northern Railway is running freight trains as far as Deseronto.

The lower House of Convocation of the Province of Canterbury has favored the elimination of the marriage promise to obey. The change will remove a prolific source of mental reservation.

This is the season of the year when mothers feel very much concerned over the frequent colds contracted by their children, and have abundant reason for it, as every cold weakens the lungs, lowers the vitality, and paves the way for the more serious diseases which so often follow. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is famous for its cures, and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by all dealers.

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## HOUSEHOLD

### SELECTED RECIPES.

**Cream Pie.**—Stir together three tablespoonsful of sugar and one scant tablespoonsful of flour. Add the white of one egg well beaten, and one pint of cream, with a few raisins. Bake like a custard pie.

**Strabout.**—Mix one egg, one cupful of maple sugar, not maple syrup—one cupful of sour cream, one even teaspoonful of soda, one-fourth teaspoonful each of cinnamon, nutmeg and salt, and two scant cupfuls of flour. Bake in a shallow pan and serve warm.

**Almond Cake.**—Mix one and one-half cupfuls of sugar and one-half cupful of butter. Add one-half cupful of milk, two cupfuls of flour sifted with one teaspoonful of baking-powder, the whites of six eggs and one-half cupful of almonds, chopped fine. Frost, and put split almonds on top.

**Herring Balls** (Danish recipe).—Soak two salt herrings in water for four hours, then soak in milk for one hour, after removing all skin and bones. Chop fine, and mix with an equal quantity of mashed potato, and to this add the same amount of finely chopped veal or beef (cooked). Shape this compound into small balls or cones, dip in egg and finely rolled dry bread crumbs, and fry in deep fat.

**Baked Brown Bread.**—Use two cupfuls of sour milk, one-half cupful of molasses, two tablespoonsful of soda, one teaspoonful of salt, two cupfuls of Graham or rye flour, one-half cupful of corn-meal and one-half cupful of flour. Stir the milk and molasses together, add the soda, dissolved in a little hot water, then the different kinds of meal, and stir until the mixture is free from lumps. Bake in a moderate oven one hour.

**Cheese Custard.**—Heat one pint of sweet milk in a double boiler. Beat one egg thoroughly, and add to it one-half teaspoonful of salt and one-fourth teaspoonful of black pepper. Beat into this the milk. Have ready one-fourth pound of domestic cheese chopped or one tenth jar of Imperial cheese. Stir the cheese into the custard and pour into either a well-buttered baking-dish or into individual cups or ramekins well-buttered, and bake slowly about twenty minutes; or, if desired, it may be steamed. Serve with hot buttered toast. Care should be taken to cook the custard only enough to set it so that it will not whey, and milk and eggs in combination should always be cooked slowly, at a comparatively low temperature.

**Picanti, or Spanish Potatoes with Rice.**—Fry one small onion chopped fine, and one fresh tomato cut fine, or two tablespoonsful of canned tomatoes in a pan with a piece of lard the size of an egg; add one coffee-spoonful of salt and one-fourth coffee-spoonful of Cayenne pepper and let the mixture fry for five minutes. Add one and one-half pints of milk, two slices of soaked bread, one-half of a ten-cent cake of cream cheese cut up, and twelve potatoes which have previously been boiled in the skin, out from which the skin has been removed. Boil the mixture for eight or ten minutes; serve it on a platter and sprinkle over it two hard-boiled eggs finely chopped, and parsley, also chopped. Serve with this hot rice which has had salt and butter in the water in which it was boiled, and which has been pressed into a mold before being turned out to a dish.

**Ham Pie.**—A Southern receipt for this economical and delicious dish has been handed down in one family for several generations. To one quart of boiling water add about one-half pound of boiled ham—or the meat from a ham bone—cut in small pieces. Let this boil while preparing biscuit dough. Roll out this a piece of dough about the size of a pie crust, cut it into small pieces, and drop them into the boiling broth—one at a time, so that they will not stick together. Line a well-greased two-quart saucepan with strips of dough, put in a layer of ham, a seasoning of butter, pepper and salt, add dumplings, more seasoning, and then another layer of ham. Over this break one egg for each person in the family; cover loosely with a top crust having an opening in the center to allow the steam to escape. Bake in a moderate oven until a light brown, and dredge with butter.

### ECONOMY IN THE KITCHEN.

One of the most serious problems with which the ordinary housewife is confronted during the winter is the question of the best means for the economical disposal of the left-over vegetables. In the summer months, when green vegetables are plentiful, there are scores of uses to which the small scraps left from dinner may be put, but when the foods to be disposed of include such things as squash, turnip, onions, cabbage, celery, radishes, etc., the cook often feels like abandon-

ing the task as a hopeless one. In spite of this feeling, however, there are ways and means by which these apparently worthless left-overs may be utilized to advantage.

Thus, an excellent method of disposing of the left-over squash is to add two well-beaten eggs and about a tablespoonful of flour to each pint of the cold vegetable. Blend the ingredients thoroughly, shape the mixture into square cakes; cover with egg and crumbs, and fry brown in deep fat.

Fried cabbage is another delicacy that cannot be enjoyed until the cabbage has first been boiled. If some of the cooked cabbage is left from dinner, therefore, it lends itself gracefully to this method of treatment. To prepare it, cut some slices of fat bacon into strips, and put them in the frying pan. When they have commenced to cook, and the bottom of the pan is well greased, add the cabbage and fry until thoroughly heated. Season with salt and pepper to taste.

To prepare left-over onions delicately, boil some rice in a little salted water, and when done, drain, but reserve the liquor. Butter a baking dish and arrange the rice and cold onions in alternate layers, cutting the onions into small pieces, if desired. Make a sauce by adding milk, butter and salt to the rice water, and, if necessary, thicken with a little flour. Pour this into the baking dish, saturating the rice and onions thoroughly; cover the top with buttered bread crumbs, and bake until brown.

### HOUSEHOLD HINTS.

Never leave the flatirons standing on the stove after you have finished ironing. After they have been left to heat and cool time and again they lose their "temper" and will not hold heat.

Ammonia, rubbed on beds and mattresses will keep them clean and free from bugs. A weak solution of turpentine poured down the water pipes once a week will drive the water bugs away.

Spots in light dresses may generally be removed by laying on them a paste made of fuller's earth and eau de cologne. Let it dry, and then brush it off. A second application may be necessary.

To make sweetbread salad, mix and boil until tender one pair sweetbreads. Add three stalks of celery chopped fine, one-half cup of English walnuts chopped fine. Pour over mayonnaise dressing.

To clean a comb, grasp a whisk broom firmly in right hand near broom end, comb in left hand; brush between teeth of comb vigorously. You will have a perfectly clean comb in a few seconds.

To revive withered flowers, put the stems into boiling water, and by the time the water is cold, the flowers will have revived. Then cut afresh the ends of the stems and keep them in fresh cold water.

Old brooms make fine brushes for sinks and are nice for cleaning bed springs and mattresses. Cut off big handle, cut even at both ends; tie in two places with strong cord. One broom makes three brushes.

Keep a little package of absorbent cotton in one of the sideboard drawers. If oil, milk or cream is spilled on a woollen dress or cloth a bit of the cotton instantaneously applied will remove all traces of the stains.

If overworked homemakers whose nerves are "worn to frazzle edge" would acquire the habit of sitting or lying absolutely still, relaxed and motionless, for five or ten minutes twice a day, they would soon see improvement.

To make flaky pie-crust, use one and one-half cups flour, two-thirds cup lard, mix with a little cold water as possible, roll out, then spread lard on, and roll again; repeat the process several times. You can use it for tart crusts or patties, baked in pans.

When making the round perforations for eyelet embroidery hold a piece of white soap underneath the cloth, allowing the stiletto to pass into it. When it is withdrawn it gives a slight stiffness to the material which ensures even and perfect embroidery.

To ventilate a room having double windows that do not open bore a number of holes in the lower edge of the outer window frame and fit the holes with cork stoppers. The inner windows may then be raised and the corks taken out to admit fresh air.

Clothespins will keep the window from rattling if they be split in two and one piece used as a wedge for each frame. If they are painted white and fitted with a screw eye in each head they may be hung on a hook by the window and be always ready for service.

### CATS SCRATCH TABLE LEG.

A table has been in the possession of a Dulwich family for over eighty years, and during this time the various cats they have possessed have scratched one leg, and one leg only, till at last they so wore it away that it became useless and had to be replaced with a new leg. The old leg is still in existence and kept as a curiosity.

## THE SUNDAY SCHOOL STUDY

### INTERNATIONAL LESSON, FEBRUARY 25.

#### Lesson VIII.—The baptism and temptation of Jesus, Mark 1.

9-13, Matt. 4. 1-11. Golden Text, Heb. 2. 13.

#### MARK 1. 9-13.

Verse 9. In those days—While John was still baptizing in the wilderness, preaching repentance and announcing the early advent of the Messiah. In Luke's account we are told that Jesus was at this time "about thirty years of age" (3. 23), which was the age appointed by law for the inauguration of Levites into their office (Num. 4. 43, 47).

Nazareth—Compare note on verse 23, Text Studies for February 23. The importance of Nazareth in the early life of Jesus was threefold: (1) It was a secluded village, separated by a range of hills from the main high road of traffic, and thus afforded opportunity for a more quiet and reflective life than would have been possible either in Jerusalem or Capernaum. (2) At the same time the outlook from this range of hills above Nazareth afforded a most wonderful and highly educative panoramic view, including the main road of international trade with its continual procession of Jerusalem pilgrims, Egyptian and Midianite caravans, Roman legions, and princes' retinues. Well might the diversified elements mingling in such a scene inspire within the mind of a thoughtful and especially gifted youth, whose heart was open to the best and highest influences that come from simple outdoor life and reverent religious training in the home, a vision of the transitoriness of earthly splendor and an appreciation of the higher values of life.

Nor could a life philosophy or vision of opportunity thus obtained be cramped within the narrow boundaries imposed by national prejudices and traditions. (3) Situated in Galilee, the village life of Nazareth was under the influence of the simple synagogue form of worship rather than that of the temple, with its greater emphasis on formal ritual. In the Jordan—The place of baptism is not positively known. The fourth Gospel speaks of John as baptizing in "Bethabara (or Bethany) beyond Jordan"; and again "in Aenon, near to Salim" (1. 28; 3. 23). The location of these places is, however, uncertain. 10. Straightway—The word is characteristic of the author's vivid style. He saw—That is, Jesus, although the Baptist also was a witness of the heavenly manifestation (John 1. 32). The Spirit as a dove descending upon him—Compare Luke's wording, "the Holy Spirit descended in a bodily form, as a dove, upon him" (3. 22).

11. A voice came out of the heavens—For two similar instances of a voice speaking from heaven, compare Mark 9. 7 and John 12. 28.

12. The wilderness—An uninhabited region, not a barren desert. 13. Forty days—Perhaps a "round number" (compare Exod. 34. 28; 1 Kings 19. 8; Acts 1. 3). The temptation is here represented as continuing through the entire period.

Satan—A Hebrew word meaning adversary. Compare 1 Chron. 21. 1; Psa. 109. 6; Matt. 16. 23. In the sense here used as the adversary of mankind its Greek equivalent is diabolos, meaning devil, the word used by both Matthew and Luke.

#### MATTHEW 4. 1-11.

Verse 3. Command that these stones become bread—The first temptation is prompted by physical appetite, the suggestion being to make use of powers granted for a higher purpose in allaying the cravings of hunger. 4. It is written—In Deut. 8. 3. Israel had been forty years in the wilderness, but God had provided for all the needs of the people, "that he might make thee know that man doth not live by bread only, but by everything that proceedeth out of the mouth of Jehovah doth man live."

5. The devil taketh him—A literal interpretation of this account of the temptations of Jesus would require us to think of both Jesus and the devil actually leaving the solitude of the wilderness, and together going to Jerusalem, many miles distant, and then back to the high mountain-top, or vice versa, if we follow Luke, who places the second and third temptations in reverse order from Matthew. The journey would occupy some time, possibly a full day, unless we suppose Jesus to have been transported instantaneously in some miraculous manner into the holy city and to the pinnacle of the temple. To imagine Jesus, fatigued and all but exhausted, making that long jour-

ney slowly, and in company with Satan, is to recognize the improbability and incongruity of the situation implied. To imagine the transportation to have been instantaneous and miraculous becomes equally incongruous as soon as we inquire whose miraculous power it was that was exercised. For either we must think of Jesus as exercising his divine power to accompany and accommodate Satan, or we must imagine Satan performing the miracle involved and taking Jesus with him by force.

6. It is written—The reference is to Psalm 91. 11, 12.

7. Again it is written—In Deut. 6. 16.

8. Showeth him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them—The vision which Jesus had of the glory of earthly kingdoms must, of course, have been purely mental, and this is the argument usually brought forward in support of the view that the whole series of temptations transpired in the realm of mind or spirit only. The cogency of the argument is evident. The realism of the narrative, however, adds vividness to the whole and brings us into vital touch with the awful mental struggle which transpired in that lonely Judean wilderness.

9. If thou wilt . . . worship me—Acknowledge my lordship over the kingdoms of this world.

10. Get thee hence, Satan—The climax of the temptation has come. A point has been reached where Jesus must either surrender or rise in the power of his manhood and drive the tempter from him.

11. Leaveth him—Luke adds, "for a season," indicating that we are not to imagine the subsequent earthly life of Jesus as entirely exempt from further temptation. Indeed, the writer to the Hebrews tells us definitely that Jesus was "in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin" (Heb. 4. 15).

### SCOTCH MARRY EARLY.

Official Records Show Many Girls Wed Before Sixteen.

That early marriages take place frequently in Scotland is proved by the annual report of the registrar-general, recently issued. Here are some of the most notable cases:

One girl of 14 married a man twice her age; six married at the age of 15; fifty-four at the age of 16, in three cases the bridegroom being a widower; 336 at the age of 17; ten girls of 18 married widowers. Of the boys who entered matrimony, there were: One aged 16 married a girl of 15; one of 16 married a girl of 16; one aged 16 married a woman of 21; twenty boys married at the age of 17.

In contrast to these youthful partners, there were recorded the weddings of a widower of 88 years of age, and two others of 75 remarrying, and eight others of over 70. Most of the latter married widows.

Since the introduction of registration, over half a century ago, irregular marriages in Scotland have greatly increased. Of the 30,108 marriages recorded in the year under review, 2,015 (or 6.69 per cent.) were irregular, the majority of them taking place in Glasgow and Edinburgh.

### HEREDITY AS HE SEES IT.

Biologist Says Sons do not Inherit Characteristics of Fathers.

Sons do not inherit personal traits and characteristics of their fathers, according to statements made by Dr. Johannsen, of the University of Copenhagen in an address on "Inheritance," in Huntington Hall, of the Institute of Technology, Boston.

That Tom has inherited his father's bad habit of smoking, or that Harry has inherited his mother's sweet disposition are entire misconceptions, according to the Danish biologist. "That is only tradition," he said. "It has absolutely nothing to do with inheritance. Inheritance is not the transmission of personal characteristics, but merely the existence of the same constitutional characters in parents and offspring."

### SPUN COTTON LONG AGO.

Lancashire's proud record of three hundred years in the cotton trade is far behind India's. Cotton was manufactured to perfection in India more than three thousand years ago. Thus Mr. Thomas Ellison, in his "Cotton Trade of Great Britain," says: "Fabrics as fine as any that can be turned out at the present day by the most perfect machinery in Lancashire were produced by the nimble fingers of Hindoo spinners and the primitive looms of Hindoo weavers, a thousand years before the invasion of Britain by the Romans." When Britons, in fact, were suffering from their skins, Indians were "luxuriating in garments of a texture so fine as to have earned the poetic description of 'woven wind.'" What Lancashire makes to-day, India made the day before yesterday—London Chronicle.

### SIR FRANCIS HOPWOOD.

Head of the Biggest Business in the British Empire.

When Winston Churchill went to the British Admiralty to take charge of "the King's navy" there were misgivings among the "Tito Barnacles" of that department, for Winston has established a reputation for clearing out inefficients. With the establishment of a "business war board" the misgivings have been fully justified, and already the modern spirit of alertness is invading the sleepy abode where for years dignity and "good form" have been more admired than vigorous capacity.

In Rear-Admiral David Beatty, Winston Churchill has a private secretary whose record has been phenomenally rapid. The Admiral has ability away beyond the average, but he would be the last to deny that the social eminence of his beautiful wife, a daughter of the late Marshal Field, has aided his meteoric advancement.

After Admiral Beatty, chief interest centers in the choice of Sir Francis Hopwood as additional Civil Lord—the "buyer and business manager" of the Admiralty. The description gives only a faint idea of the responsibilities that will fall upon him. His selection as the man to run the business side of Britain's first line of defence once more proves Winston Churchill's keenness to put the right man in the right place. As the Admiralty spends upwards of \$100,000,000 a year, Sir Francis Hopwood thus becomes the working head of the biggest business in the British Empire. His vast experience of affairs has been gained at the Board of Trade. He first became their authority on railroads and traffic matters. Having successfully conducted various missions to America, where he added to his knowledge the art of effective hustle, Sir Francis was transferred to the colonial office and became advisor on the short-lived constitutions for the Transvaal and Orange River Colonies. He attended King George on his visit to Canada, and the Duke of Connaught when he went to South Africa to inaugurate the Union Parliament.

The British public has the utmost confidence in the new business head of the navy, a refreshing departure from the old-time type of permanent official, whose strength was often found in social qualifications rather than in efficiency in his department.

### ATLANTIC FLYERS.

British Aviation Expert Says They Will be Silent Aeroplanes.

"People are afraid of aeroplanes, but when the aeroplane is flying frequently from town to town silence will become imperative," So says Mervyn O'Gorman, superintendent of the army aeroplane factory at Farnborough, England, who has turned out the new all-British "silent" aeroplane that the experts have been demanding.

"As a matter of fact," he says, "silence is very easy to obtain. This machine shows a little step in advance."

"As far as I know, this is the first absolutely silent aeroplane; it is silent to this extent, that when the wind is blowing strongly from it towards you you cannot hear it."

"A military aviator who was present at our trials remarked that there was other machines with which he was acquainted which it would not have been safe to have gone up in, in the wind that was blowing. I see no reason why every aeroplane which does not employ a rotary engine should not be silent. It is a very simple matter. The reason why it has been put in the background hitherto is because other matters have required more attention, but everyone knew that the moment for silence would soon arrive—at all events on a large class of engines."

"There is a certain loss of power in silencing, but there is no difficulty about it beyond just a careful study of the engine proposition. Silence will become very important when the confidence that will come as soon as the 'chudders' have left aeroplanes has arrived."

"You can imagine, for example, that it might be worth a man's while, instead of taking a special train, to be carried along what might be called the postal route between Dover and Liverpool. He comes from the Continent, and wants to go to America, and such a route as that silence would before long become compulsory."

"The extent to which the weather delays or controls the doings of an aviator depends largely on two things—one, the speed of his machine; the greater the speed the less he is affected by the relative fluctuations in the speed of the wind. The other thing is that his means of control of his balance shall be very powerful in response to a small effort on his part, and by making that small effort, he shall obtain a large result."

An old bachelor will stay out till 2 a.m. if he wants to, but he misses the fun of trying to sneak upstairs with his shoes off.

### MARKETING IN FINLAND.

Scenes Familiar to English Life Many Years Ago.

Finland grows modern with the rest of the world, but the people still cling to some of the old customs—the old market-days, for instance, and the market-places, such as were familiar to English life one or two hundred years ago. There is no chance there for the middleman to make a profit on either side of the transfer from the producer to the consumer. Moreover, the market-places furnish many little scenes which illuminate national character and national life. One of these is given by Paul Wainman in his book, "A Summer Tour in Finland."

The market is a veritable delight to the eye of the visitor, it is so ridiculously primitive and old-fashioned. There are lines upon lines of quaint booths and rows of springless two-wheeled market-carts, with patient little Finnish horses standing as motionless as if they had been made of the same greenbraid that a smiling market-woman offered to me as I wended my way through their midst.

The market was too tempting—I forgot all about state archives and picture-galleries. Some lilacs of the valley, plucked that morning from a forest glade, hung their heads wearily, even when in contact with big, cool cabbages. Dainty ladies picked up their skirts as they threaded their way here, there and everywhere, inspecting minutely the goods on the various stalls, always followed by a red-checked hand-maiden, bearing a huge Old-World wicker basket, from which a very varied assortment of edibles peeped out.

At that market you can buy everything—meat, poultry, fruit, vegetables, milk, butter, flowers, even to the humble wild lilies. The hum of voices is something astonishing. There are apparently no fixed prices, and a tragedy of renunciation may be observed in the surrender of a handful of vegetables to a customer who has bargained too hard.

One especial bunch of carrots caught my attention. They appeared to me to be very ordinary carrots, but their owner, an old man, bent nearly double with his years, lifted them tenderly from the corner of his cart. The would-be purchaser was an elderly woman with sharp, greedy eyes. I could see from the first that it would go badly, with that old man.

The scene that took place between them was tragic. Every emotion of which a human countenance is capable was portrayed in turn upon both faces—polite inquiry, astonishment, contempt, incredulity, wounded pride, determination, hesitation, avarice; finishing up at last with triumph on the one side and resignation on the other, as the bunch of carrots was carried off by the woman.

### SCHOOLBOYS FIGHT DUEL.

German Youths Use Firearms to Settle Dispute.

Once again the morbid reading indulged in by German schoolboys and youths, and the peculiar ideas of honor and the duel held in Germany, have resulted in a "school-boy duel," in which one of the combatants received injuries which will probably cost him his life.

A boy of seventeen years was found a few days since in a small wood near Detmold, in an unconscious condition, with a bullet wound in the right breast. He was taken to the local hospital, where his chances of recovery are regarded as small.

It seems that the lad, a scholar in the Detmold higher grade school, quarrelled with a schoolmate of his own age over a girl, even younger than themselves, and for whose favors both were aspirants. Driven to extremes of jealousy by the knowledge that each was sharing the girl's affections with the other, the two youthful Romeos mutually decided on an "affair," in which one should seek the only possible escape from his passion in death, while the victor remained in undisputed possession of the field.

This programme was duly carried out. The boys, by some means, obtained possession of firearms, and repaired to the wood, without seconds or other witnesses. At the first exchange of shots one of the combatants fell wounded, while the victor callously walked off without even troubling to send help to his fallen opponent.

### HIS WAY.

Fair Guest—"But if you ignore all social rank and precedence, how do you manage, for instance, in arranging guests for dinner?"

Prominent Leader of Socialist Community—"Let the hungriest go in first."

"How clear the horizon is!" remarked a young lady. "Yes," agreed her humorous companion; "I've just swept it with my eye."

She—"You married me simply because I had money!" He—"No! I married you because I didn't have money!"



## CLOSE QUARTERS ;

OR, THE HOUSE IN THE  
RUE BARBETTE

### CHAPTER XV.—(Cont'd)

She thought the sail would never climb up in time, but as it began to yield to the steady pull of the men it mounted more and more rapidly, and at last, feeling the influence of a gentle breeze blowing off the land, it shook out its cum-brous folds and the number stood clearly revealed in huge white letters on the dark brown canvas.

At first, in her eagerness, she could hardly discern it, save a big "M" and an "R."

"There!" cried Eugénie, bubbling over with excitement. "There it is! 'M.R. 107,' Marseilles, No. 107, you know. Why, isn't that Jacques le Bon's boat?" she demanded from her companion.

"Yes, it is," said Marie; "and there is Jacques himself standing by the tiller."

Edith's eyes were now becoming accustomed to the night and the dancing water.

"Where are the others?" she said. "I cannot see them. There is no one standing on the deck but the sailors."

"Oh, they have gone below, I expect," said the practical Marie. "They will be in the way of the sails, you know. There is not much room for people who don't work on the deck of a small ship like that. Besides, they don't want to be seen. If a customs officer or a harbor official were to notice the boat now he would think that Le Bon was going out fishing for the night, but he would be sure to wonder what was happening if he caught sight of a woman on board. Funny, isn't it?" she rattled on, "that Jacques should be called 'Le Bon,' for he is the worst man in Marseilles! They say that his ugly grin when he draws a knife would frighten anybody!"

### CHAPTER XVI.

When one o'clock came and Edith had not arrived, the three men waiting in the hotel made no further effort to conceal their anxiety. The impetuous Fairholme was eager to commence an immediate search of Marseilles, but Brett steadily adhered to his resolution not to stir from his sitting-room until either Miss Talbot came back in person or it became certain that she was detained by some other influence than her own unfettered volition.

With this view Talbot could not help concurring, so Fairholme had to content himself by smoking many cigarettes and walking uneasily about the room. Sit down he could not, whilst any casual ring at the hotel door found him leaning over the balustrade of the inner court and listening intently for the first words of the new arrival.

But the Englishmen were not the only persons in the hotel that night whose composure was disturbed. Their extraordinary behavior caused uneasiness to the manager and those members of his staff who remained on duty. The facts disclosed by the hall-porter were certainly remarkable. Only one member of the party had behaved in a normal manner. Sir Hubert Fitzgibbon, soon after his arrival, went quietly to bed, but the hall-porter's report as to the conduct of the others was passing strange.

One of them, to his surprise, had rung up the Prefecture of Police in Paris on the telephone. The others were standing at the hotel door, gazing quietly enough at the passers-by, when suddenly about midnight much excitement rose amongst them. They conversed eagerly in their own tongue for a few moments, and the lady had rushed off down the street by herself, whilst her two companions ran with equal precipitancy to join the third in the sitting-room who had engaged, and there they were still seated in moody expectancy, apparently waiting for some dramatic event to happen.

It was time that all good people were in bed. But it has been useless to approach such lunatics with questions, for they were English, and no decent Frenchman could possibly hope to understand their actions or motives. It was satisfactorily that they could speak French well; therefore the manager counselled the hall-porter to exhibit

bit patience and prudence. Moreover, millards upstairs would be sure to recompense him for an enforced vigil by a liberal pourboire.

At last, when even the Cannobienne was empty, and when the latest café had closed its doors and the final tramcar had wearily jangled its way up the hill towards a distant suburb, the electric bell rang a noisy summons to the front door. It produced the hall-porter and Fairholme with remarkable celerity.

The Frenchman cautiously opened the door and saw outside a muffled up female who eagerly demanded admittance. He knew by her accent that she was not a Marseillaise, but the shawl that covered her head and shoulders showed that she belonged to the working class.

"Whom do you wish to see at this hour?" he gruffly demanded. "I live here," said Edith. "I came here to-night with my brother from Paris. Please let me in at once."

In her excitement and breathlessness—for she had hurried at top speed from the harbor—Edith forgot that the homely garment she adopted as a disguise effectually cloaked her from the recognition of the hall-porter as from all others. Moreover, her French accent was too good. It deceived the man even more thoroughly than did the shawl.

"Oh, really now," he said, "this is for laughter! A woman like you staying at the hotel! Be off, or I will call a gendarme."

In his amazement at her demand he had not heard Fairholme's rapid approach behind him. He was now swung unceremoniously out of the way and the earl jumped forward to seize Edith in his arms.

"My darling girl!" he cried, "where have you been? We almost gave you up for lost. Where is your hat? Where did you get that shawl? And all the time he was hugging her so fiercely that it was absolutely impossible for her to say a single word. At length she disengaged herself.

At that instant Brett's voice was heard upon the stairs. He wanted the telephone again.

Edith had rapidly detailed her adventures to her astonished auditors, and Brett seemed to resolve on some plan of action with the lightning rapidity peculiar to him.

Owing to the late hour, he got through to Paris without much difficulty, and then he returned to the sitting-room, where Edith was rehearsing in greater detail all that had happened since she left them at the hotel door. Brett explained to his companions the motives of his second telephonic message.

"I am convinced," he said, "that Gros Jean is in communication with his daughter. For this reason I did not wish the police to put in an appearance at the Café Noir until to-morrow night, or rather to-night, for we have long entered upon another day. I wished to have a reasonable time for quiet inquiry at Marseilles before making a move that he might be apprised of our presence here. Miss Talbot's remarkable discovery has, however, wholly changed my plans. Mlle. Beaucarne and her lover have set off for some unknown destination, and the best chance we have of discovering it is to secure the immediate arrest of her father. Possibly, being taken by surprise at this hour of the morning some document may be found on him which will reveal his daughter's destination. It occurs to me that she half expected him to arrive by a late train. Again, when the fishing smack puts into port, the girl will probably adopt some method of communication with him, and that communication must come into our hands, not into his. So I have telephoned the police officials in Paris to raid the Cabaret Noir forthwith, and it is possible that they may report developments within the next two or three hours."

Is there no chance of your discovering the whereabouts of that fishing smack?" said Fairholme. "In what way?" demanded Brett. "Well, this is a big port, you know, and there are always tugs knocking about with steam up, on

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the off-chance of their services being required. Isn't it possible to charter a steamboat and set off after the smack?"

"I do not think so," said Brett. "I imagine it would be wasted effort. By this time the Belles Soeurs is well out to sea. She will certainly not show any lights, and I personally feel that although there is, perhaps, a thousand to one chance we might fall in with her, it will be far better for our purpose to remain quietly here and await developments in Paris." Brett shook his head dubiously.

"There is even a possibility that the Belles Soeurs will never be seen again, and that her number will long remain vacant on the shipping register of Marseilles. However, we shall see."

"Then, Mr. Brett," put in Edith quietly, with a tired smile, "I suppose we may go to bed?" "Most certainly, Miss Talbot. You have earned your rest more than any of us to-night," he answered.

He held up his hand to wish her good-night, but she demanded with some surprise, "What are you going to do? Surely you want some sleep?"

"I will remain here," he said. "I have bribed the hall-porter to keep awake, and I may be wanted on the telephone at any moment."

Left to himself, Brett again interviewed the hall-porter and returned to the sitting-room, where he disposed himself for a nap on the sofa. Like all men who possess the faculty of concentrated thought, he also cultivated the power of dismissing a perplexing problem from his mind until it became necessary to consider it afresh in the light of further knowledge.

Within five minutes he was sound asleep.

At length he woke with a start. He was stiff with cold, for the fire had gone out, and the tiny gas jet he had left burning was not sufficient to warm the room. He sprang to his feet and looked at his watch. It was half-past six.

"Surely," he cried, "there must have been a message from Paris long before this!"

He ran downstairs, encountering on his way some of the hotel servants, who even thus early had commenced work, for your industrious Frenchmen is no laggard in the morning. Going to the hall-porter's office he found that functional snoring peacefully. The poor fellow was evidently tired out, and twenty telephone bells might have jangled in his ears without waking him.

So, for the third time, Brett rang up the exchange to get in touch with Paris. As he had anticipated, he quickly learnt that the Prefecture had endeavored to get through to him about 4.30 a.m., but the operators were unable to obtain any answer.

"I can hardly blame the man," said he to himself, "for I was just as tired as he."

The information he received from the Prefecture was startling enough. In accordance with his instructions, a number of detectives had raided the Cabaret Noir soon after three o'clock. They found the place in possession of a waiter and couple of female servants. Gros Jean had quitted the house the previous evening, and, most astounding fact of all, with him were three Turks.

Neither the waiter nor the domestics could give any information whatever concerning the hidden room. They knew of its existence, but none of them had ever seen it, and the place was generally regarded as a sort of cellar for the reception of lumber.

The police forced a padlock which guarded its trap-door, and found to their surprise that the place was much more spacious than they anticipated. It really contained two apartments, one of which was so firmly secured that it had hitherto resisted all their efforts to open it. The other was a sort of bed-sitting room, and it had recently been occupied. From various indications they came to the conclusion that its latest tenants were Hussein-ul-Mulk and his confederates.

Judging from the facts that these gentry had quickly left the café in Gros Jean's company about half-past seven the previous evening, they were not in confinement against their will. In fact, the po-

lice theory was that this secret chamber proved a safe retreat for any person who desired complete seclusion other than that provided by the authorities.

"It is assumed," said the officer who communicated this bewildering information to Brett, "that the locked room contains a quantity of stolen goods. The police remain in charge of the café, and when the necessary workmen have been obtained this morning the door will be forced. We will at once let you know the result of our further investigations."

(To be continued.)

### GRASS BAD FOR TREES.

Stunts Them and Arrests All Healthy Growth.

At the Woburn experimental fruit farm a long inquiry has been conducted into the effect of grass on trees, and the experiments which have been carried out form the substance of the thirteenth report of the farm, which has just been issued, says the London Daily Mail.

It has been shown that the general result of grassing the ground, either by sowing seed or replacing the turf after the trees have been planted, is the arrestation of all healthy growth and the absolute stunting of the tree.

A light and unhealthy character imparted to the leaves is one of the first noticeable results of the action of grass upon trees. With trees that are feeling the full effect of grass the fruits are found to be small and ill developed.

The variations in soil temperature are less when the ground is grassed, and this alone would be favorable to the growth of trees; but this good influence is outweighed by the deleterious effects.

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ALMANAC STARTED IN 1686.

The oldest almanac in existence is the "Almanach National," which has been issued by the French Government since 1686, says the London Chronicle. Its name has been changed a good many times during its career of 225 years. Originally the "Almanach Royal," it became "National" in 1793, "Imperial" in 1805, and reverted to its original name nine years later. Since then the title has been altered four times. Like most publications of this sort the "Almanach National" has grown bulky with advancing years. The first issue contained forty-eight pages, as compared with 1,580 pages in the current issue.

### BUSY ALL THE TIME.

Little Howard came in the other day crying and rubbing several bumps, caused by a series of butts administered by a pet sheep.

"Well, Howard," said his sympathetic auntie, "what did you do when the sheep knocked you down?"

"I didn't do anything. I was getting up all the time."

### WELL DESCRIBED.

A little girl who had been to the dentist to have a tooth extracted, thus described her experience: "The man grabbed hold with a pair of tongs and just before it killed me the tooth came out."

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### DRUG HABIT GROWING.

Becoming a Fashionable Indulgence  
In London Society.

Alarmists assert we are living in times of peril, but, according to medical testimony, there is more insidious danger lurking in society which has nothing at all to do with the unrest in the labor world, or the wild doctrines of Socialists. The peril lies in the growing habit of drug-taking, now fast becoming a fashionable indulgence among women belonging to the "Upper Ten" in London, England.

Nowadays a drug becomes the vogue in much the same way as a new style of dressing the hair. The exhilarating qualities of various poisons are openly discussed, and recommendations to use this or that narcotic are passed on with as much confidence as a doctor's prescription.

Morphia retains the favorite place with women of the smart set, who are expert users of the hypodermic syringe. Young girls of the day are in constant danger of acquiring the vicious habit. Mothers buy up the flagging energies of their daughters at the far-end of the season with some seductive drug. Quite recently a maid gave information to a young husband which led him to discover that his wife and a coterie of her friends visited each other with remarkable regularity for the purpose of indulging in morphia.

Such are the ravages that the drug craze is making in homes far removed from the pressure of poverty that Parliament will be asked to amend the Act governing the sale of

poisons with a view to stamping out the dangerous mania by rendering it next to impossible for any one to save a medical man to obtain drugs. Almost every week a death occurs in some well-known family from an overdose of veronal or sulphonal, taken to procure sleep or steady the nerves. Yet there are no restrictions on the sale of these poisons at the drug stores.

### A FUTURE FINANCIER.

A very nice young man was calling on his sister. To make things easy, he gave him a beautiful new penny, saying: "Save each penny, and soon you will have a dollar."

"I'll soon have a dollar!" replied the boy, with great eagerness.

The young man smiled good-naturedly, dug into his pocket, saying: "Well, just how much more do you need?"

"Only ninety-nine cents."

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a laxative—but you cannot be too careful what you give them. Marsh

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## PERSONALS.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Minchin are both  
on the sick list yet.

Mr. Patrick Nolan, Nanapan, spent the  
week end visiting his sister, Miss Marjorie  
Nolan.

Mrs. W. L. Fox, and Misses D. Caldwell  
and Ross Reynolds are in Toronto attend-  
ing the Spring Millinery Openings.

After spending a few days with his  
family here, Mr. Chas. F. Linn returned  
to Kingston where he is attending the  
Dairy School.

## Agricultural Class Banquet.

The first annual banquet of the Agri-  
cultural class in connection with  
Stirling High School was held on  
Thursday evening Feb. 15th, and  
proved a grand success in every re-  
spect.

It was held in the Masonic Hall and  
up to eight o'clock streams of students  
and invited guests were seen wending  
their way towards the hall, where  
long tables heavily laden with the best  
that our fair country can produce,  
were waiting the invasion of the one  
hundred and fifty guests to do ample  
justice to the many good things pro-  
vided.

A long and interesting toast list  
was then ably disposed of by Mr. F.  
R. Mallory B. S. A., of Frankford, as  
the genial toastmaster. Mr. Mallory  
acquitted himself most acceptably.  
Perhaps special mention should be  
made of the toast to the ladies, which  
was responded to by Mr. Wm. Kerr,  
who, for a "bachelor boy" certainly  
surpassed himself in his humorous  
hits and "take offs" on the students.

Instructor McIntosh was presented  
with a splendid gift in the form of a  
Websters International Dictionary,  
mounted on a stand, and an ad-  
dress from the class. Mr. McIntosh  
made a brief and fitting reply to the  
presentation.

At the conclusion of the program  
the hall was cleared and the young  
people enjoyed themselves with mu-  
sic and dancing to the tune "We  
Won't Go Home Till Morning." Ever-  
ybody went home feeling that the  
Agricultural boys did not do things  
by halves.

## ONE WHO WAS THERE.

## February Rod and Gun

"Wild Duck Conservation" by  
Frank Hyde, formerly editor of Out-  
door, is the leading number in the  
February issue of Rod and Gun in  
Canada, published by W. J. Taylor,  
Limited, Woodstock, Ont. No sports-  
man interested in the preservation of  
this important species of our wild fowl  
should fail to procure a copy of the  
February number and read this arti-  
cle from first to last. A fascinating  
tale is that which has been contributed  
by Martin Hunter, the well-known  
writer, who spent forty years, from  
1863, to 1903 in the service of the Hud-  
son Bay Company. The story which is  
entitled "A Tragedy which Caused  
the Siege of Fort Ellice," deals with  
the rash act of an employee of the  
company, by which the passions of the  
Indians were inflamed and the  
lives of those in the fort endangered,  
and the subsequent diplomatic hand-  
ling of the red men by the Factor,  
Fox Farms in Prince Edward Island,  
and other interesting articles make a  
splendid number of this magazine.

For a sprain you will find Chamberlain's  
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moves the soreness, and soon restores the  
parts to a healthy condition. 25 and 50  
cent bottles for sale by all dealers.

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We claim to carry the best quality of  
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der, 25 cents each insertion; over three lines,  
75c. per line. Matter set in larger than the or-  
dinary type, 10c. per line.  
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insertion. No insertion less than 25c.

## RAILWAY TIME TABLE.

Train calling at Stirling station as follows:  
GOING WEST. GOING EAST.  
Mail & Ex. 6.55 a.m. Passenger, 10.37 a.m.  
Passenger, 11.45 p.m. Mail & Ex. 3.41 p.m.

## The Stirling News-Argus.

THURSDAY, FEB. 22, 1912

## LOCAL MATTERS.

What's the matter with organizing  
a board of trade?

How would it do to make a united  
effort to boom Stirling?

Only a suggestion—Electric head-  
lights for the Marmora hockey team.

Rumor has it that there will be sev-  
eral automobiles sold in Marmora at  
the end of the hockey season.

Rev. H. V. Mounter, of Madoc, will  
preach in the Methodist Church next  
Sunday, morning and evening, in the  
interests of missions.

The Pancake Tea given by the ladies  
of St. John's Church in the Masonic  
Hall on Tuesday evening last was well  
attended and an excellent repast was  
served.

See Fred A. Byres as Happy Jack,  
the Tramp, in "The Girl and the  
Tramp" at the Stirling Opera House,  
Saturday, Feb. 24th. A guaranteed  
clean, high-class attraction. Prices  
25c., 35c., 50c.

The snow storm yesterday was one  
of the worst of the season, and all  
roads are completely blocked. The  
railway trains have been unable to  
get through up to the time of going to  
press.

There will be a meeting on Friday  
evening, Feb. 23rd, at half past seven  
at the Stirling House, of the friends,  
business men, and everybody interest-  
ed in making the Old Boys' Reunion  
and Firemen's Demonstration, to be  
held on May 24th, next, a grand suc-  
cess. Workers wanted.

After the regular meeting of the  
Stirling Epworth League on Monday  
evening last, a meeting in connection  
with the Citizenship Department was  
held for the purpose of making more  
definite arrangements about the ses-  
sion of a Mock Parliament proposed  
to be held in the near future. Fur-  
ther particulars will appear later.

Campbellford Herald: "Mr. Thom-  
as Walker, one of our nonagenarians,  
is quite ill. His advanced age is  
against his recovery. Mr. Walker  
will be remembered as one of the lead-  
ing public men of Rawdon Township  
for many years. He moved to Camp-  
bellford several years ago and has  
been one of our most highly respected  
citizens. He is about 94 years of age."

Mr. Walker was for many years  
Reeve of the township of Rawdon,  
and was also Warden of the County  
of Hastings. He retired from active  
life and went to Campbellford about  
twenty-five years ago.

## Big Automobile Explosion

A feature in the production of "The  
Girl and the Tramp" which will be  
seen at the Opera House, Saturday,  
Feb. 24th, is the explosion of a real  
automobile in full view of the audience.  
This is the original "Girl and Tramp"  
Co. A positively guaranteed attrac-  
tion. Prices 25c., 35c., 50c.

## Actor Preacher Plays Title Roll

H. Arthur Barton, known as the  
actor preacher, until last March a pas-  
tor of a prominent Kansas City church,  
is now playing a strong part with Fred  
Byres "Girl and the Tramp" Co.,  
which appears at the Stirling Opera  
House, Stirling, Feb. 24th. Mr. Bar-  
ton left the ministry to go into the  
lecture field. He is now illuminating  
the stage, and preaching every night,  
he says, as a sinner, his text being,  
"Be sure your sins will find you out."

## Laymen's Meeting

On Sunday afternoon 18th inst., the  
laymen held their regular monthly  
meeting for the study of missionary  
intelligence in the basement of the  
Methodist Church. The attendance  
was good and every favorable start  
made for future work in this connec-  
tion. The committee to arrange the  
program for the next regular meeting  
is called to meet at Dr. Walt's office  
on Monday evening, 26th, at 8 o'clock.

## An Old Mason

The Napinka, Man., New Century,  
of a late date contains a photograph  
of Mr. Albert Chard, formerly of this  
place, but who went West several  
years ago. In a notice referring to  
Mr. Chard, The New Century states  
that he has been a Free Mason for  
over forty-seven years. He was made  
a Mason in Stirling Lodge No. 60, A.  
F. and M. S., in June 1861. He was  
Master of that Lodge for five years,  
extending from 1873 to 1878. He was  
made a Royal Arch Mason in St.  
Mark's Chapter, No. 26, Trenton, in  
August, 1879, and made a Knight  
Templar in King Baldwin Preceptory  
No. 6, at Belleville, in 1886.

## Six Weeks' Short Course

## At Stirling

The first Short Course in Agricul-  
ture which opened in the High School  
on Jan. 8th, has been a great success  
under the charge of the District Re-  
presentative, Mr. A. D. McIntosh. It  
was probably one of the largest classes  
of this kind ever held in the Province,  
there being fifty-two students enrolled  
and an average attendance of over  
thirty-five.

During the first four days of each  
week, Dairying, Stock Raising, Poul-  
try Raising, Study of Weeds and  
Wood Seeds were taken up and dis-  
cussed. On Friday afternoons the  
students were given practical training  
in public speaking, public reading and  
organization work. They organized  
themselves into a Farmers' Club on  
the first Friday, and each student was  
called upon for an impromptu address.  
They also organized a Fruit Growers'  
Association and again took up public  
speaking along fruit lines. Another  
Friday afternoon was spent in the per-  
usal and discussion of the benefits to  
be derived from the many useful bul-  
letins issued by the Department of  
Agriculture.

Among the special lectures given to  
this Agricultural class from outside  
instructors the following are the most  
worthy of mention: Lecture on Bee-  
keeping by Mr. E. Caverley, of Fox-  
boro; Lecture on Breeding and Train-  
ing of Horses, by Mr. C. W. Gurney,  
of Paris; Lectures on the Draft Horse  
and Dairy Cow, by Mr. S. G. Carlisle,  
of Chesterville; and practical instruc-  
tion in the wrapping and box packing  
of apples by Messrs. W. F. Kydd, of  
Simcoe, and Leslie Smith, of Well-  
ington. In addition to these the last  
three days of the regular Course were  
given over to practical Stock, Seed  
and Grain judging under the expert  
instruction of Messrs. R. S. Stevenson,  
of Ancaster; F. R. Mallory, B.S.A., of  
Frankford; and Dr. H. G. Reed, of  
Georgetown.

The attendance at the Box Packing  
School was very large, there being at  
one time fifty men actually packing  
apples. The final Course in Stock,  
Seed and Grain Judging had an atten-  
dance of over two hundred the first  
day and over four hundred the last  
day.

The students all took a deep interest  
in their lectures and as a result of the  
co-operative spirit which grew up  
among them, they joined together  
and sent away to the Seed Growers'  
Association at Ottawa for nearly two  
hundred and fifty bushels of Pedigreed  
Banner Oats. Many of the fields  
sown with these Oats will enter in  
the Field Crops Competition this year.  
Not a little of the success of this  
class is due to the Instructor, Mr. A.  
D. McIntosh, who is the right man in  
the right place. The Government,  
the County of Hastings and the Vil-  
lage of Stirling are to be congratulated  
in securing such an efficient teacher  
as Mr. McIntosh has proven himself  
to be, and the people of the surround-  
ing country have shown their appre-  
ciation of his efforts by very largely  
attending all of the Courses he has put  
on this winter.

Not least among the important  
branches which the students of this  
class undertook was the entire prepara-  
tion for a closing banquet.

As one of the students I have great-  
ly appreciated the privilege of attend-  
ing a class of this kind, and would  
strongly advise any farmer or farm-  
er's son who possibly can to avail  
himself of this grand opportunity of  
learning to farm along scientific  
lines.

## ONE OF THE STUDENTS

The voting thus far on the basis of  
union between the Methodist, Pres-  
byterian and Congregational churches,  
has been almost unanimous for union  
as far as the Methodist church is con-  
cerned. There is considerable differ-  
ence of opinion in the Presbyterian  
church, many churches voting against  
union. The Toronto Presbytery  
passed a resolution recommending an  
amendment of the proposed basis  
so as to emphasize the following fun-  
damental ideals of Presbyterianism:  
Permanency of the pastorate, the  
inherent right of the people to extend  
a call to a pastor, a denial of the  
power of the settlement committee to  
come between a congregation and its  
pastor, a declaration that the settle-  
ment committee has no power to place  
a pastor in a vacant congregation un-  
less the church has failed to extend a  
call within a limited time, and that  
the Presbytery is alone entitled to re-  
ceive representations from ministers  
or congregations desiring a change.

## A Real City Attraction

Messrs. C. F. Mann and J. H. Hack-  
ett, advance representatives of "The  
Girl and the Tramp" Co., were in  
town the early part of the week ar-  
ranging for the appearance of their  
company in Stirling, Saturday, Feb.  
24th. This is the No. 1 original com-  
pany, the same as played Toronto,  
Peterboro, Belleville, Montreal, and  
all the larger cities of Canada. It was  
owing to an open date that this popu-  
lar company is to play in Stirling, and  
beyond a doubt they will be greeted  
by an overflowing house.

Black smallpox and hemorrhagic  
smallpox, the two worst types of the  
disease known to medical authorities,  
have broken out in the Province of  
Quebec, according to Dr. Pelletier,  
Secretary of the Provincial Board of  
Health. Champlain county at present  
seems to be the nesting ground of the  
most virulent cases, but severe cases  
have also broken out all the way from  
Montreal to Quebec.

The temperance cause is receiving a  
great uplift through the energies of  
the Dominion Alliance in Canada, and  
the sooner our legislators at Toronto  
catch the spirit of the workers under  
the Alliance auspices the quicker will  
this country have prohibition. Sir  
James Whitney and his colleagues  
must yield to the calls to them for  
help in this grand work by removing  
the three-fifths handicap. The rights  
of the people must be recognized.  
Look at this startling record under  
local option efforts. People voted on  
local option in 383 municipalities, but  
the iniquitous three-fifths clause per-  
mitted its adoption in only 215. In  
other words, while the people voted  
for the continuation of licenses in  
only 105 municipalities, Sir James  
Whitney's bad law demanding a  
three-fifths majority forced licenses  
on 225 municipalities. Yet another  
comparison: People voted to close 940  
bar rooms but the law as it now  
stands permitted closing of only 530,  
or in other words, people voted to  
keep open only 450 bars but the law  
as enforced by Sir James, compelled  
the keeping open of 854. Local option  
was held up for three years in 51 of the  
215 local option municipalities, and 147  
of the finally closed bar rooms were  
kept open three years longer than the  
people wanted. Well may the Pion-  
eer inquire how much longer will rep-  
resentatives of the people in Toronto  
support a law which overrides the  
votes of the electors for the benefit  
of the liquor traffic? — Bowmanville  
Statesman.

## A Great Chance for Young Men From This Vicinity

Owing to the scarcity of young men up  
in Railway Telegraphy and Freight  
and Passenger work, a Railway School  
has been opened in Lindsay under the su-  
pervision of Mr. A. M. Paton, to fit young  
men for the work. Positions are guaran-  
teed, common school education is suffi-  
cient and the business can be mastered in  
six months.  
Fees are reasonable. A pupil starting  
now will be at work early this summer.  
No field open to young men offers oppor-  
tunities for promotion equal to this. The  
Course is a business as well as an educa-  
tion. Write A. M. Paton, National Rail-  
way School, Lindsay, Ont.

Contracts for nineteen new steamers  
adapted for burning either oil or coal  
were placed with British builders.

## Card of Thanks

Mrs. Armstrong and family, Harold, de-  
sire to extend sincere thanks for the sym-  
pathy and kindness shown by the many  
friends and neighbors in their bereave-  
ment.

## Auction Sales

FRIDAY, FEB. 23.—On lot 3, con. 1, Raw-  
don, the Farm Stock and Implements be-  
longing to Mr. L. Eggleston. Sale at one  
o'clock. Wm. Rodgers, auctioneer.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 23.—On lot 36, con. 7,  
Sidney, the Farm Stock and Implements  
belonging to Mr. Harold Garrison. Sale  
at 1 o'clock sharp. Wm. Rodgers, auc-  
tioneer.

THURSDAY, FEB. 23.—On northwest quar-  
ter lot 21, con. 8, Rawdon, the Farm Stock  
and Implements belonging to Mr. Norman  
B. Wellman. Sale at one o'clock. Wm.  
Rodgers, auctioneer.

SATURDAY, MARCH 2.—On the premises  
of Mr. Darius Green, south side Wellin-  
gton, Stirling, a quantity of House-  
hold Furniture, etc. Sale at 2 o'clock,  
p.m. Wm. Rodgers, auctioneer.

## Murder

AVENUE-WALLACE—On Wednesday, Feb.  
21st, 1912, at the residence of the bride's pa-  
rents, Rawdon, by Rev. J. A. Hiltz, Lizzie G.,  
daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Wallace, and  
Mr. Roscoe Wright, of Stirling.

## Deaths

CONLEY.—In Stirling, on February 18, Mary  
E. Conley, widow of the late Hiram Conley,  
aged 62 years and 7 months.

## F. CAZLEY

Is now ready to receive orders for  
Painting, Paper Hanging, Etc.

## FOR SALE OR TO LET

A large brick house and barn on Church  
Street, Stirling. Apply on the premises  
to  
GEO. A. LANDON.

## For Sale

A pure bred Holstein Bull Calf, rising  
on year old, from cow that gave 60 lbs.  
milk in a day, two milkings, also a  
grade Holstein Cow, gave over 50 lbs.  
milk per day, in calf to registered Hol-  
stein bull, whose half sister, at 1 year and  
11 months, produced 21 lbs. of butter in 7  
days. Apply on premises, lot 1, con. 4,  
Rawdon, or to  
G. A. KINGSTON,  
Campbellford.

## Tax Notice

All Taxes due for the township of Raw-  
don must be paid on or before the 1st of  
March, otherwise costs will be incurred.  
R. BAILEY, Collector.

## For Sale

100 acres of land, more or less, west half  
of lot 2 in the Township of Rawdon.  
Good brick house and barn, good orchard  
and a never failing creek. Apply on the  
premises to  
WILLIAM H. HEAGLE

## NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

I wish to state that I intend carrying on  
the Marble and general business here un-  
der the name of the Stirling Marble  
Works. Thanking you and all for their  
liberal support in the past, I hope to re-  
ceive your patronage in the future. Mr.  
John Tanner will act as agent for me.  
Stirling, Feb. 23, 1912.  
JOHN MOORE.

## Dissolution of Partnership

Notice is hereby given that the partner-  
ship heretofore existing between the un-  
dersigned under the firm name of Moore  
& Campbell has this day been dissolved  
by mutual consent. All debts due the  
said firm must be settled by note or cash  
at the Bank of Montreal, Stirling.  
Dated Feb. 1st, 1912.  
JOHN MOORE.  
JOHN CAMPBELL.

R. M. Whylock, Witness.

# G. W. ANDERSON

In order to make room for  
our New Spring Stock we are  
starting on

Saturday, Feb. 10th

OUR  
Great Annual Discount Sale

All Winter Goods will be sold  
at prices greatly below cost.  
See large bills for particulars of  
this Sale. Also see bills for par-  
ticulars of the

## GREAT GUESSING CONTEST

which we will run in connection  
with this Sale.

SPECIAL—During this Sale we  
will pay 33 cents per pound for  
Fresh Roll Butter.

# G. W. ANDERSON

Phone 29 Goods delivered promptly.

## BIG CLEARING SALE

We are still giving BIG DISCOUNTS to clear out the balance of our  
WINTER FOOTWEAR

Now is your chance to save from 20 to 25 per cent.

Our policy is to not carry over any Winter Goods, as we need the space  
for our new Spring Shoes which are beginning to arrive.

## BIG BARGAINS

In OVERSHOES, FELT BOOTS, HEAVY RUBBERS, HOCKEY  
BOOTS, ETC.

## J. W. BROWN

Anyone presenting this advertisement to us on Saturday, February 10th,  
will receive one bottle of Shoe Dressing.

## STOCK FOOD

INTERNATIONAL AND DR. HESS

These are two of the greatest Stock Foods on earth.  
They will keep your Colts, Calves and Pigs thrifty and grow-  
ing rapidly in the coldest weather.

The DISTEMPER CURES are guaranteed to cure  
Coughs, Colds and Distemper.

The LOUSE KILLER will rid your hen house and  
poultry of Lice.

## SKATES

We have a few pair left and are offering a discount of 20  
per cent.

Phone 25. **McGEE & LAGROW**

## NOTICE

TO USERS OF ELECTRICITY

Kindly note the following changes:  
A new Office has been opened up in  
the McKee block, formerly occupied  
by Mr. Bogart.

No further accounts will be sent to  
customers, the customers being re-  
quired to call and settle at above Of-  
fice.

Office hours for collection of ac-  
counts will be from  
9.30 to 11.30, a. m.  
2.00 to 5.00, p. m.  
7.30 to 9.30, p. m.

on the first three legal business days  
of each month.

The Department will add 10 per  
cent. on every account not paid on  
above dates, and a further 10 per cent.  
on same for each and every month  
overdue.

DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRICITY  
CORPORATION OF STIRLING.

## Elm Wanted

Good, sound, straight, Swamp Elm, cut  
10 and 15 ft. long, wanted at Morgan's  
Mill, Spring Brook.  
JOHN MORGAN

## For Sale

The south half of Lot 9, Con. 9, Sidney  
township, said to contain about 80 acres.  
For particulars apply to  
NORMAN GREEN,  
Gilmour P. O., Ont.

## THE BEST COAL

Of all kinds always in stock. Coal  
sheds at G. T. R. Station. Small quanti-  
ties of any kind can always be had at  
McKee's Harvest Shop.  
Telephone No. 38.  
T. H. McKee.

## Stirling Grist Mill

The subscriber has now the old Stirling  
Grist Mill thoroughly fitted up and is pre-  
pared to do grain cracking promptly, and  
would ask the public to call and give him  
a trial.  
He also has in stock and for sale Flour,  
Bran, Shorts, and other feeds. Prices  
will be found right.  
ROBERT REID.







# WORTH Ten Cents a Pound More LIPTON'S TEA GOES FARTHEST FOR THE MONEY.

## THE DYNAMITE CONSPIRACY

The Prosecution Have 40,000 Letters And Telegrams From The Prisoners

A despatch from Indianapolis, Indiana, says: Sensational and specific charges that the dynamite conspiracy was conducted with the full knowledge of the members of the Executive Board of the International Association of Structural Ironworkers, including Frank Ryan; that the conspiracy, extending over years, was recorded on paper, and that Orrie McManigal, the confessed dynamiter, was shifted shuttles over the country on missions of destruction were made public on Thursday by District Attorney Charles W. Miller. Mr. Miller announced the contents of an indictment known as that covering "unconsummated acts" of the conspiracy, and it is to be the basis upon which the Government intends to conduct its prosecution. The indictment charges Ryan, Herbert S. Hockin of Detroit, Mich., M. J. Young of Boston, John T. Butler of Buffalo, Frank C. Webb of New York, with conducting the conspiracy through the mail, and names all of the fifty-four defendants as abettors. It declares that a regular system of pointing out non-union steel and iron construction jobs was carried on, and that the Executive members not only contributed money to buy explosives, but assisted in the work which McManigal was to do.

The basis of all the charges lies chiefly in 40,000 letters and telegrams taken from the Ironworkers' International headquarters. These letters purport to be between Ryan, Hockin, Webb and various other officials and business agents. Exhaustive details are given regarding the incriminating correspondence.

### ROBBERS AT TORONTO.

Armed Men Get \$400 at Standard Chemical Office.

A despatch from Toronto says: With revolver in hand and masked beyond recognition, two men entered the office of the Standard Chemical Company, foot of John Street, at 7.30 on Friday evening, and got away with about \$400. The men rushed through the door just as Night Superintendent George Ross and his assistant, J. W. Mayo, were putting away a good portion of the day's receipts. The hold-up men called for Ross and Mayo to throw up their hands, and one of them started around the counter while the other kept guard. Ross did not comply with the request at once and was struck a blow on the side of the head, the stunning effect of which made him realize that the intruders meant business. Some of the money had been put in the safe and the remainder was on the counter, but the safe was unlocked and the task of the hold-ups was easy. One of them kept Ross and Mayo covered while the other took possession of all the money in sight. Ross and Mayo did as they were told. The office was in darkness, as was everything outside. Every mode of communication from within had been cut off, and they feared that any move on their part to give an alarm would be too much to their own peril. They remained quiet for a while, and eventually ventured out of the office. Then the police were notified, but the hold-up men had made good their escape.

From  
Our Ovens  
To  
Your Table  
Untouched by human hands—

## Post Toasties

—the aristocrat of Ready-to-Serve foods.

A table dainty, made of white Indian corn—presenting delicious flavor and wholesome nourishment in new and appetizing form.

The steadily increasing sale of this food speaks volumes in behalf of its excellence.

An order for a package of Post Toasties from your grocer will provide a treat for the whole family.

"The Memory Lingers"

Canadian Postum Cereal Co., Ltd.,  
Windsor, Ontario, Canada.

## MAKING SAFE INVESTMENTS

SHARES OF STOCK, UNLIKE BONDS, INVOLVE NO "PROMISE TO PAY."

A Company Not Obligated to Repay to Its Shareholders Par Value of Their Shares—Bondholders in a Different Position.

The articles contributed by "Investor" are for the sole purpose of guiding prospective investors, and, if possible, of saving them from losing money through placing it in "wild-cat" enterprises. The impartial and reliable character of the information may be relied upon. The writer of these articles and the publisher of this paper have no interest to serve in connection with this matter other than those of the reader.

(By "Investor.")

So far, in this series of articles on the general principles of investment very brief reference has been made to stock investment. There are two reasons for this. First shares in joint stock companies are not—as a class—ideal securities for investment, and secondly, because any investigation which may be found useful in determining the safety of a bond may be applied with modifications, of course—in the case of shares. Shares of stock and bonds are essentially different. As was pointed out some time since, a bond is a promise to pay, a share is an equity only; if the company is liquidated the bonds are paid in full and if there is anything left the stockholders divide it—that is, in the case of a company being wound up. In the case of an actively operating company, the bondholders receive their regular interest, 4, 5, 6, or 7 per cent, whatever it may be. The shareholders may receive nothing, or, as in the case of Winnipeg Electric, they may receive 12 per cent. per annum or even more.

A farmer working his land is, in a small way, similar to the shareholders of a large company considered collectively. He may owe John Smith money secured by a mortgage. John Smith gets his interest every year and his principal when it is due, or he forecloses the mortgage, sells the farm, pays himself and gives the farmer the residue. If the farmer can pay his interest he has to deduct his operating expenses from what is left over, and the balance he uses to supply the necessities of life, or if fortune has smiled, luxuries for his wife and family. His profit, after paying interest and operating costs—wages, feed for his stock, etc.—represents the dividends, sometimes large, often small and perhaps nothing, in which event he may have to look to his small savings, or the bank, to tide him over.

And so it is with the shareholders of a company. In lean years they may get no dividends, in fat years they may get large ones. But it is the bondholder who doesn't have to worry. He has to have his interest or the shareholder stands to lose his property. In other words, shares (speaking generally, of course, for many shares are far safer investments than some bonds, and some shares are as safe as most bonds) shares are in nature speculative, while bonds are not.

The purchase of a share of stock in a company involves no reason to expect a return of the money so invested. If the company prospers your dividends are large and if you want to "get your money out" you can sell to some one who wants to buy, even the holders of C. P. E., or even Bank of England shares, have no other method of ever getting their money back. In 1870 the Hudsons Bay Company (its real name is the Governor and Company of Adventurers of England Trading into the Hudsons Bay) was formed and its shares issued. These shares are actively traded in on the London market. In the 240 years since they were put out, there has been no time at which the shareholders could get their money back except by selling their shares to others. Ofhand, I can think of no bond which would not have been redeemed at least four times (and a fifth time in 1920) during that period.

These are the chief points of difference between bonds and stocks. Stocks, however, have many good points, which will be taken up subsequently.

### MARINERS MAKE REQUESTS.

Want Canals Opened Earlier and Also on Sundays.

A despatch from Ottawa says: A representative delegation of the Dominion Marine Association waited on the Ministers of Marine and Railways and Canals on Wednesday morning. Their most important request was that the canals be open on Sunday. The "Soo" Canal already is operated on Sunday. Another request was for the opening of the canals earlier this season than usual, owing to the congestion in the West. The association renewed its demand that navigation be paramount, and that on the St. Lawrence and other rivers it should not be subordinated to power schemes. Some slight amendments to the Shipping Act were also suggested, among them one that tugs or wrecking vessels be allowed without license to carry men in cases of emergency.

"Why does the giraffe have such a long neck?" asks the teacher. "Because its head is so far away from its body," hopefully answered the bright boy.



YUAN SHI KAI,

Who will become the first president of the Chinese republic, Dr. Sun Yan Sen, the provisional President, retiring. Yuan is about 55 years old. In younger life he was sensual and reckless. He has a wholesome respect for the foreign powers, which put great confidence in him. His critics, however, say he has always been a trimmer and guilty of double-dealing. Certainly, he has been hand-and-glove with the republicans while professing to be striving with might and main to save the monarchy, and has now given the Imperialists the "double-cross." Stories of his cunning and ruthlessness would fill a book.

### THE DOCTOR HABIT.

And How She Overcame It.

When well-selected food has helped the honest physician place his patient in sturdy health and free from the "doctor habit" it is a source of satisfaction to all parties. A Chicago woman says:

"We have not had a doctor in the house during all the 5 years that we have been using Grape-Nuts food. Before we began, however, we had 'the doctor habit' and scarcely a week went by without a call on our physician.

"When our youngest boy arrived, 5 years ago, I was very much run down and nervous, suffering from indigestion and almost continuous headaches. I was not able to attend to my ordinary domestic duties and was so nervous that I could scarcely control myself. Under advice I took to Grape-Nuts."

"I am now, and have been ever since we began to use Grape-Nuts food, able to do all my own work. The dyspepsia, headaches, nervousness and rheumatism which used to drive me fairly wild, have entirely disappeared.

"My husband finds that in the night work in which he is engaged, Grape Nuts food supplies him the most wholesome, strengthening and satisfying lunch he ever took with him." Name given by Canadian Postum Co., Windsor, Ont.

Read the little book, "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs. "There's a reason."

Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.

### CHANGE IN OFFICE.

Dominion Veterinary Department to Be Divided into Branches

A despatch from Ottawa says: An Order-in-Council has been passed dividing the position of Veterinary Director-General and Live Stock Commissioner, hitherto held by Dr. J. G. Rutherford, into two separate branches. The man most prominently mentioned for Veterinary Director-General is Dr. A. H. Hall, V.S., of Grimsby, Ont., formerly of Quebec. A prominent Western Ontario live stock man is mentioned for the Live Stock Commissioner.

Here's the biggest can of easy-shining stove polish on the market.

BLACK KNIGHT STOVE POLISH

It's a paste—easily applied—and gives a brilliantly black polish that is not affected by the heat. Equally good for stoves, pipes, grates and iron work.

Conforms to the high standard of Gillette's goods. Useful for five hundred purposes.

**GILLETTE'S PERFUMED LYE**

Made in Canada

## PRICES OF FARM PRODUCTS

REPORTS FROM THE LEADING TRADE CENTRES OF AMERICA.

Prices of Cattle, Grain, Cheese and Other Produce at Home and Abroad.

### BREADSTUFFS.

Toronto, Feb. 20.—Flour—Winter wheat, 90 per cent. patents, \$3.85, at seaboard, and at \$3.90 to \$4 for home consumption. Manitoba Flour—First patents, \$5.50; second patents, \$5; and strong bakers', \$4.50, on track, Toronto.

Manitoba wheat—No. 1 Northern, \$1.13, Bay ports; No. 2 Northern at \$1.10; and No. 3 at \$1.05, Bay ports. Feed wheat, all-rail, 74c.

Ontario Wheat—No. 2 white, red and mixed, 96 to 97c, outside.

Peas—Good shipping peas, \$1.18 to \$1.25, outside.

Oats—Car lots of No. 2 Ontario quoted outside at 45 to 46c, and of No. 3 at 45 to 46c, outside. No. 2, 48 to 49c, on track, Toronto. No. 3 Western Canada oats, 50c, and No. 1 extra feed, 48c, at Bay ports.

Barley—48 lbs. quoted at 95 to 96c, outside.

Corn—No. 3 American yellow, 72-1-4c, Toronto freight.

Rye—No. 2 at \$1.08 to \$1.09, outside. Buckwheat—70 to 71c, outside.

Bran—Manitoba bran, \$25, in bags, Toronto freight. Shorts, \$25.50 to \$27.

### COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Apples—Winter stock, \$2.75 to \$3.50 per barrel.

Beans—Small lots of hand-picked, \$2.35 to \$2.40 per bushel.

Honey—Extracted, in tins, 11 to 12c per lb. Combs, \$2.50 to \$2.75.

Baled Hay—No. 1 at \$15.50 to \$16, on track, and No. 2 at \$12 to \$13.

Baled straw—\$10, on track, Toronto.

Potatoes—Car lots in bags, \$1.70 to \$1.75, and Delawares at \$1.85 to \$1.90. Out-of-store, \$1.90 to \$2.

Poultry—Wholesale prices of choice dressed poultry: Chickens, 12 to 15c per lb.; fowl, 9 to 10c; geese, 13 to 15c; ducks, 12 to 14c; turkeys, 20 to 25c. Live poultry about 10c lower than the above.

### BUTTER, EGGS, CHEESE.

Butter—Dairy, choice, in wrappers, 29 to 30c; large rolls, 28 to 30c, and inferior, 26 to 28c. Creamery quoted at 35 to 36c for rolls, and 34 to 35c for solids, per lb.

Eggs—37 to 40c per dozen, in case lots. Cheese—Large, 16-1-2c, and twins at 16-3-4c per lb.

### HOG PRODUCTS.

Bacon—Long clear, 11-1-2 to 11-3-4c per lb., in case lots. Pork—Short cut, 22-1-2c; do, mess, 19-1-2c to 20c. Ham—Medium to light, 16 to 16-1-2c; heavy, 14 to 14-1-2c; rolls, 10-1-2 to 11c; breakfast bacon, 16 to 17c; backs, 19 to 20c.

Lard—Tierces, 12c; tubs, 12-1-4c; pails, 12-1-2c.

### BUSINESS AT MONTREAL.

Montreal, Feb. 20.—Oats—Canadian Western, No. 2, 53-1-2 to 54c; do, No. 3, 51-1-2 to 52c; extra No. 1 feed, 52-1-2 to 53c; No. 2 local white, 51 to 51-1-2c; No. 3, do, 50 to 50-1-2c; No. 4, do, 49 to 49-1-2c. Barley—Malting, \$1.02 to \$1.03. Buckwheat—No. 2, 72 to 73c. Flour—Manitoba Spring wheat patents, 81c; do, second, 80c; strong bakers', 80c; Winter patents, choice, 84-1-2 to 85c; straight rollers, 84-1-2 to 85c; do, bags, 82-1-2 to 83-1-2c. Rolled oats—Barrels, 85c; bags, 90 lbs., 82-1-2c. Bran—\$24, shorts, 25c; middlings, 28c; mouillie, 28c to 34c. Hay—No. 2, ton, car lots, \$15 to \$15-50. Cheese—Finest Westerns, 15-1-4 to 15-1-2c; finest Easterns, 14-1-2 to 15c. Butter—Choice creamery, 33 to 34c; second, 32 to 33-1-2c; Eggs—Fresh, 45c; selected, 38 to 40c; No.

### UNITED STATES MARKETS.

Buffalo, Feb. 20.—Spring wheat—No. 1 Northern, carloads, store, \$1.14-1-4; Winter, No. 2 red, \$1.02; No. 3 red, \$1.00; No. 2 white, \$1.01. Corn—No. 3 yellow, 69-1-4c; No. 4 yellow, 68-1-4c, all track, through billed. Oats—No. 2 white, 66c; No. 1 white, 65-1-2c; No. 4 white, 64-1-2c. Hay—Mating, \$1.12 to \$1.13.

Minneapolis, Feb. 20.—Wheat—May, \$1.05-1-2 to \$1.05-5-8; July, \$1.06-1-4 to \$1.06-5-8; closing cash, No. 1 hard, \$1.07; No. 1 Northern, \$1.06 to \$1.06-1-2; No. 3 wheat, \$1.04 to \$1.04-1-2. Corn—No. 3 yellow, 68 to 68-1-2c. Oats—No. 3 white, 49-1-4 to 49-3-4c. Bye—No. 2, 88c. Bran—In 100-lb. sacks, 25c; second patents, 24-1-2 to 24-3-4c; first clear, \$1.40 to \$1.75; second clear, 22-1-2 to 22-3-4c.

### LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

Montreal, Feb. 20.—Butchers' cattle, choice, 65-1-2 to 67c; do, medium, 64-1-2 to 65-1-2c; do, common, 63 to 64c; canners, 62-1-2 to 63-1-2c; butchers' cattle, choice cows, 52-1-2 to 53-1-2c; do, medium, 51-1-2 to 52-1-2c; do, bulls, 48-1-2 to 49c; feeding bulls, \$3 to \$4; milkers, choice, each, 67c to 68c; do, common and medium, each, 65 to 66c; springers, \$30 to \$45. Sheep—Ewes, 45-1-2 to 46-1-2c; bucks and culls, 43-1-2 to 44-1-2c; lambs, 45-1-2 to 47c. Hogs—F. o. b., \$7.25 to \$7.35. Calves, 25-1-2 to 26c.

Toronto, Feb. 20.—A few extra choice steers were sold at \$6.50, and buyers paid as high as \$6.50 for some. Good butcher cattle were quoted steady at \$5 to \$6.40. Medium and common cattle were also unchanged. Cows and bulls were steady at \$4.50 to \$5.25 for good ones. American lambs sold better than the Canadian, fetching from \$7.50 to \$8. Sheep were a little stronger at \$4 to \$5 for ewes. Hogs were firm, but not quotably higher.

### THE FLAVOR OF TEA.

The flavor of tea is contained in an essential oil. With age the oil decays and the agreeable aroma and flavor of fine tea is destroyed.

Tea keeps better in sealed lead packets than it does in open chests or canisters, but it deteriorates more or less under any circumstances. Fresh tea is as necessary to a successful tea trade as fresh butter is to a successful butter trade. No wholesaler or retailer should keep a pound of tea in his stock for more than four months, yet, with some, the fashion is to keep it for years, during every day of which it is deteriorating.

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### CANADA'S BUTTER FAMINE.

Due to Exportation of Cream to United States.

A despatch from London, England, says: The Westminster having asked him why Canada is now competing here for arrivals of New Zealand and Australia butter, Lord Strathcona replied that it is owing to the enormous increase in home consumption and growth of cream exports to the United States.

### COAL STRIKE INEVITABLE.

Blast Furnace Proprietors in Scotland Give Employees Notice.

A despatch from Glasgow says: Believing a British national coal strike inevitable, the blast furnace owners throughout Scotland have given notice to their workmen terminating contracts February 29.

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Western Canada Power Co. First Mortgage 5% Bonds selling at 90 yield 5 1/2%. This company has perpetual water rights from government on Slave Lake. Plant is located 35 miles from Vancouver and New Westminster, B.C. Lake. Plant is supplied with electric power. This year's net earning should be which cities it supplies with electric power. Can develop 100,000 H.P. as needs of rapidly growing 3 times bond interest. Can develop 100,000 H.P. as needs of rapidly growing British Columbia demand. Engineer in charge—Mr. R. F. Hayward, late of Mexican Light Heat and Power Co.; President, C. H. Caban; Director, R. Doble, Secretary Bank of Montreal; Sir Max Aitken; T. J. Drummond, President Lake Superior Corp.; John Hendry, Vancouver; Wm. McNeill, Vancouver; Campbell Sweeney, Manager Bank of Montreal, Vancouver. Western Canada Power Bonds will appreciate in value. An absolutely safe and profitable investment. Write us for literature with list of bondholders and full information.

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Extra fine finished Tweeds, all wool, in check, diagonal, wale and pencil  
designs, 46-50 in. wide, very stylish. Prices 75c. to \$1.50 yd.

WOOL TRICATINE.—This is the most serviceable and dressy material  
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lar material. A large range of shades, including Cream. Prices  
50c., 75c., 90c., \$1.25 and \$1.50.

SPECIAL.—Extra heavy Suing Serge. All wool, 54 in. wide. Just  
the one you have been looking for. Regular value \$1.75 yd. Our special  
price \$1.25.

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We have everything new in silk and values better than ever before shown.  
36 in. PALETTE SILK.—Very fashionable, will not cut or wrinkle.  
Shades, Navy, Copenhagen, Wine, Green, Tan, Old Rose, Cream, White and  
Black. Special price, \$1.25 yd. Narrower width, 50c. yd.  
27 in. JACQUARD SILK.—A new hit this season, very durable, all shades,  
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SPECIALS.—Plouncing and other Embroideries, 30% off regular prices.

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### Central Ontario Fairs Association

Annual Meeting Held at Brighton  
On Thursday February 1st

The annual meeting was held at  
Brighton on Feb. 1st, 1912. President  
Miller took the chair and called the  
meeting to order at 2 o'clock p.m.

A. A. Wade, Reeve of Brighton,  
gave an address of welcome to the  
delegates, after which the business  
was proceeded with.

Minutes of the last annual meeting  
were read, and, on motion, adopted.

The auditors' report was then read,  
and, on motion of the secretary and  
R. H. Ketcheson, was adopted.

The following Societies paid their  
affiliation fees: Geo. Nicholson, Frank-  
ford; C. H. Curtis, Warkworth; T.  
Tweddle, Brighton; J. G. Wade, Col-  
borne; J. R. Battersby, Castleton; J.  
B. Ferris, Campbellford; T. A. Mac-  
farlane, Shannville; W. N. Wessels,  
Wooler; Dr. Ming, Napanee; T. G.  
Wright, Picton.

The above gentlemen were then  
voted a committee to arrange the  
dates of fall fairs, and reported as fol-  
lows:

Belleville.....	Sept. 10, 11
Napanee.....	" 17, 18
Picton.....	" 23, 24
Frankford.....	" 19, 20
Wooler.....	" 5, 6
Shannville.....	" 14
Colborne.....	Oct. 1, 2
Warkworth.....	" 3, 4
Millbrook.....	" 3, 4
Norwood.....	" 8, 9
Tweddle.....	" 2, 3
Ameliasburg.....	" 4, 5
Campbellford.....	Sept. 24, 25
Castleton.....	" 27, 28
Colborne.....	" 18, 19
Port Hope.....	" 24, 25
Lindsay.....	" 19, 20, 21
Rosemeath.....	" 20, 21
Madoc.....	" 23, 24
Marmora.....	" 16, 17
Peterboro.....	" 12, 13, 14

Mr. S. Nesbitt came in, and at the  
request of the president, addressed  
the meeting.

Mr. J. Lockie Wilson was the next  
speaker. He strongly urged Societies  
to take up the matter of standing field  
crop competitions.

Mr. Duncan, of Port Hope, gave a  
very instructive address on fruit cul-  
ture, bee keeping, and the necessity of  
education to the farmer.

Moved by P. S. Ewing, that this As-  
sociation memorialize the Provincial  
Association at their convention in Tor-  
onto, to urge upon the Legislature the  
necessity of increased grants to Agri-  
cultural Societies. The motion was  
seconded and unanimously carried.

Napanee was chosen as the place for  
the next meeting.

A vote of thanks was tendered the  
speakers, after which the election of  
officers was proceeded with, resulting  
as follows:

President, E. C. West, Campbell-  
ford; Vice-President, R. H. Ketch-  
eson, Belleville; Sec.-Treas., G. A. Hay,  
Campbellford; Auditors, J. B. Ferris,  
Campbellford, and P. S. Ewing, Wark-  
worth.

The meeting then adjourned until 8  
p. m., to the Central Hotel, where a  
banquet was tendered the delegates by  
the Brighton Fair Board. S. Nes-  
bitt, J. Lockie Wilson, Mr. Duncan  
and others responded to the usual  
toasts, the meeting finally adjourning  
at 11.30.

G. A. HAY, V. S., Secretary.

By the will of the late John Helm,  
who died recently at Port Hope, the  
united counties of Northumberland  
and Durham are to receive one hun-  
dred thousand dollars for the purpose  
of building and equipping a hospital  
at some place within the counties.  
The will also provides for a further  
gift of the residence belonging to the  
late Mr. Helm, which includes 30 acres  
of land, large lawn, etc., valued at  
\$10,000, upon the condition that the  
council use it for the hospital site.  
Wardon Snodgrass called a special  
meeting of the counties council to deal  
with the matter, but the result has  
not yet been learned.

Do you know that more real danger  
lurks in a common cold than in any other  
of the minor ailments? The safe way is  
to take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, a  
thoroughly reliable preparation, and rid  
yourself of the cold as quickly as possible.  
This remedy is for sale by all dealers.

### Wellman's Women's Institute

The last regular meeting of the  
Wellman's Women's Institute was  
held at the home of Mrs. Fred Snarr,  
on the evening of Feb. 15th.

The gentlemen came to this meet-  
ing.

The meeting opened with "O Can-  
ada."

The minutes of the last meeting  
were read and approved.

In the absence of the president,  
Miss Emma Rainnie presided.

Mrs. Robt. Totton gave a fine paper  
on "How to Create and Preserve that  
Atmosphere that will give Character  
to the Home."

The paper was divided into three  
parts beginning with the early mar-  
ried life.

In the discussion it was brought out  
that most young couples want to com-  
mence where their parents leave off.

Miss Iva Reid sang "The Last Rose  
of Summer."

Mrs. Wanda Snarr gave a recitation  
"Mice at Play."

Little Miss Lorena Totton gave in-  
strumental music.

In the unavoidable absence of Mrs.  
Chas. Dracup her paper was read by  
Mrs. Blake Totton. It was "The Wo-  
man of the Twentieth Century," and  
in the three minute speeches by the  
gentlemen some of them evidently  
preferred the nineteenth to the twen-  
tieth century woman as they could  
darn and mend better.

There were forty-five present.

Seventy-two cents collection, for  
Sick Children's Hospital.

The next meeting will be held at  
the home of Mrs. T. McCaughan. Miss  
Sina Johnston is to give the topic.  
Visitors welcome.

### Tobacco Growing In

Prince Edward County

Picton, Feb. 23.—Tobacco-growing  
has passed the experimental stage in  
Prince Edward County by long strides.  
Results became definitely known to-  
day whereby the tryout given in the  
season of 1911 promises the establish-  
ment of a new industry in this county.  
To-day shipments of the leaf went out  
totalling 53 tons. The 70 acres grown  
this year have realised \$12,000. Buy-  
ers paid 11 1/2 to 12 1/2 cents per pound for  
the leaf. Land in the county that has  
become so well adapted to canning  
factory produce has proven excellent  
for tobacco. One man made \$200 from  
a three-quarter acre planting. The  
farmers say after the experiment they  
prefer the growing of the tobacco to  
tomato growing, and that there is  
more money. A representative of the  
Imperial Tobacco Company who was  
in town looking after the shipments  
says Essex and Kent county farmers  
were paid \$1,250,000 for the year's to-  
bacco crop.

### Madoc Junction Items

The home of Mr. Geo. Bird was sad-  
dened on Saturday morning by the  
death of his mother, Mrs. Margaret  
Bird, who has been an invalid and for  
nearly ten years confined to her room.  
The funeral service was conducted at  
the home by Rev. Mr. Jarvis, of Stir-  
ling, and the remains interred in the  
Clarke cemetery on Monday.

Mr. Bird has been a dutiful, faithful  
son, and Mrs. Davis a faithful nurse.  
Mr. Jeremiah Bird is also a son. The  
sorrowing ones have the sympathy of  
many friends here.

We are still in the grip of winter  
and having some storms, till it is  
hardly safe to drive anywhere as some  
of our friends have learned during the  
past week—saying nothing of those  
who have been waiting for trains.

Mr. Fitchett spent a few days in  
Tweed last week on account of the  
storm, but we think he enjoyed him-  
self.

Mr. and Mrs. McDonnell, of Col-  
borne are the guests of Rev. and Mrs.  
Barker.

Mrs. Mason Clarke visited friends in  
Stirling last week.

Mrs. Boye, of Belleville, and Mrs.  
Higgs, of Stirling, attended the fune-  
ral of Mrs. Bird on Monday.

Mrs. French was the guest of Mrs.  
Dr. Alger and Mrs. (Rev.) Byers re-  
cently.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith, of Campbell-  
ford, spent a few days with Mrs. Juby.

Cottage prayer meeting at Rev. Mr.  
Barker's next Monday evening. Mrs.  
Stapley's house was full at the last  
meeting although roads are very bad.

There is no better medicine made for  
colds than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.  
It acts upon nature's plan, relieves the  
lungs, opens the secretions, aids expecto-  
ration, and restores the system to a healthy  
condition. For sale by all dealers.

## STERLING HALL ANNOUNCEMENT

The business carried on by the undersigned for the  
past ten years has been acquired by the "MATHER-  
LUERY COMPANY, LIMITED," to take effect as at the 10th  
day of February, 1912, last, past. All accounts due the  
business up to that date are payable to myself, and all  
trade coin outstanding will be redeemed in goods by the  
new Company, and it is particularly requested that this  
be presented at the store as soon as possible.

While making this announcement I wish to convey  
to the many customers and friends of the store my high  
sense of appreciation and sincere thanks for the very  
liberal public patronage accorded it in the past by them,  
and to bespeak for the new organization their continued  
aid and encouragement—assuring you all at the same  
time that the new organization will zealously endeavor,  
by the adoption of the most modern merchandising  
methods, to merit unceasing confidence and good will.

Sincerely yours,

W. R. MATHER.

## Special Notice

The stock having been acquired by the MATHER-  
LUERY Co., LTD., at a rate on the dollar considerably  
under wholesale cost will enable this Company to offer  
from time to time many very decided bargains. Below  
are indicated a few of the special plums from the Dress  
Goods Department.

### SNAPS FOR LADIES' SPRING SUITS

TAFFETA CLOTH—40 and 42 in. wide in  
Browns and Blues, were 50c. yd., now.....35c. yd.

TAFFETA AND VENETIAN CLOTHS—45  
to 50 in. wide, in Golden and Mid Browns and Blues,  
full value for 75c., now on sale at.....50c. yd.

BROADCLOTHS AND VENETIANS—50 to  
54 in. wide, in Golden Brown, Reseda and Navys, worth  
\$1.00 and \$1.25, now on sale at.....75c. yd.

Also a fine collection of Dress Goods, remnants of  
from 3 to 5 yards, at one-half regular price.

### CHILDREN'S DRESSES

We have these in a good assortment, Print and  
Percalé, to fit children 2 to 7 years old, at 50c. to \$1.00

### Perrin's Kid Gloves

Long Black Kids, all sizes, special at.....\$2.25  
Long Black Lisle at.....25c. to 75c.  
Long White Lisle at.....25c. to 75c.

### Wall Papers for Spring

You will find a selection of rare excellence and at  
prices much below regular.

Job lot Papers at 2 1/2c. to 5c. roll, were 5c. to 15c.

Regular Goods at 5c. to 25c. roll, were 8c. to 35c.

Besides we show a large range of special order  
Papers to meet all and every taste. Have a look at this  
line if requiring something special.

### At The Grocery Corner

FRESH FROZEN B. C. SALMON, headless and dressed at

.....10c. lb

15 lb. boxes—Finnan Haddie for.....\$1.35 box

## MATHER-LUERY COMPANY, LIMITED.

### Another Million for Highways

Announcement was made in the  
Legislature that the Ontario Govern-  
ment proposes appropriating another  
million dollars to be spent on rural  
highways. This latest grant carries  
with it the same main conditions that  
were carried with the old, viz., that  
the counties to be benefited there-  
from must spend two dollars for every  
county road system any road which  
the Minister of Public Works finds  
one provided by the Province. This  
is another important provision. It is  
provided that the Government shall  
appoint an official of "engineering  
capacity" who shall lay out and super-

wise the construction of the roads to  
be built. This officer is to have au-  
thority to place a foreman in charge  
of any work he cannot personally  
supervise, and it is "made imperative  
that such foreman shall not be a mem-  
ber of the council of the county in  
which the work is being done." It is  
further provided that the Government  
shall have power to strike from a  
county road system any road which  
the Minister of Public Works finds  
"not of sufficient importance to be  
constructed and maintained as a coun-  
ty road."

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## CLOSE QUARTERS;

OR, THE HOUSE IN THE RUE BARBETTE

### CHAPTER XVI.—(Cont'd)

"But what about Gros Jean and the Turks? Surely Paris cannot again have swallowed them up!" inquired Brett.

"Every effort is being made to trace their whereabouts," was the reply; "but you must remember, monsieur, that they had many hours' start of the police, and that this period of the day is the most difficult of the twenty-four hours in which to make successful inquiries. You must rest assured that the moment we will ring you up, provided, that is, you arrange for some one at your end to answer the telephone."

"Oh," said Brett with a laugh, "there is little fear of future delay in that respect. It will be daylight in another hour, and the servants are already busy about the place."

He rang off and then darted back to his sitting-room to consult a time-table, for the thought came to him that Gros Jean and the Turks had quitted the cafe in order to reach Marseilles.

He could not yet explain this strange alliance. It was impossible to believe that the innkeeper would betray his daughter to serve the ends of a political party. No; there must be some other explanation which the future alone could reveal.

He well knew that the last thought likely to occur to the Paris police would be to suspect the missing man of any desire to reach the south coast. It was with an almost feverish anxiety that he scrutinized the pages of the *Indicateur des chemins de fer*, and he heaved a sigh of profound relief when he discovered that the first train Gros Jean and the Turks could travel by left Paris the previous evening, and was not due at Marseilles until 8.59 that morning.

It was now close on seven o'clock, so he went to his bedroom, effected some much-needed changes in his personal appearance, and then consumed an early breakfast of coffee and rolls. At half-past eight he called a carriage and was driven to the railway station, where, punctually to the minute, the Paris train arrived.

Brett managed to secure a favorable point whence he could observe the passengers without being seen, for on the platform were stacked hundreds of baskets of fruit and vegetables which had arrived by a local train.

There were not many passengers in the express, and among the first to alight were Gros Jean and the three Turks—Hussein-ul-Mulk and the two others he had seen in the Rue Barbette.

It would be idle to deny that the barrister experienced a thrill of satisfaction at his own shrewdness, and he smiled as he realized the consternation of the Paris commissionary when informed that he had so easily allowed the rogues to slip out of the net.

The travellers were evidently tired after a sleepless journey. Gros Jean, being a fat man, had wobbled about a great deal during the night. He much needed the restorative effect of a comfortable bed; whilst the Turks, though younger and more active, also showed signs of fatigue, for this long journey, in their case, was a sequel to many hours of detention in an ill-ventilated apartment.

So they paid not the slightest heed to their whereabouts, save in so far as to eye with suspicion a harmless gendarme who happened to be on the platform.

The policeman, of course, took no notice of them whatever. Gros Jean was to him merely a typical Frenchman, whilst persons of dark complexion and Moorish appearance are everyday sights in Marseilles.

A diminutive railway porter loitered near Brett in the conceit that perhaps this well-dressed stranger might have felonious designs on the oranges and cabbages. His intense joy may therefore be pictured when the barrister beckoned to him, placed a gold piece in his hand, and said—

"You see those Turks there. Go after them and find out where they are going. They are sure to take a carriage, as their luggage appears to be somewhat heavy."

The man darted off, secure in the belief that no one who could afford to give away twenty francs for such trivial information would be likely to pocket a cauliflower. In half a minute he returned.

"They have all driven off to-

gether, monsieur," he announced eagerly, "and the French gentleman first of all inquired of the driver how much he would charge to take them to the Jolies Femmes. Two francs was the fare, and this was agreeable, so they have gone there."

"I hope, in this instance," said Brett gravely, "that the Jolies Femmes is the name of a hotel."

"But certainly," replied the porter elevating his eyebrows.

He meditated on this question for five minutes after Brett's departure, and then an idea struck him.

"Ah," he cried, slapping his thigh with a grin, "he is a droll dog, that Englishman."

Brett, secure in the knowledge that his quarry had been located, drove back to the hostelry. He found Edith Fairholme, and Talbot just sitting down to breakfast. He joined them, and had barely communicated his startling intelligence when Sir Hubert Fitzjames put in an appearance.

"Dear me," said the genial old soldier, smiling pleasantly at the assembled party. "I see you are all nearly as lazy as I have been myself. I hope you slept well and enjoyed a quiet night."

The burst of merriment which greeted this remark not only amazed the worthy baronet, but startled the other guests in the dining-room. "That is a strange thing," whispered a Frenchman to his wife. "I thought the English never laughed!"

### CHAPTER XVII.

After breakfast the party adjourned to their sitting-room, and there Brett detailed his immediate plan of action.

"The first point to determine is an important one," he said. "Which of you three—Sir Hubert Fitzjames, Talbot, or Fairholme—looks most like a Frenchman?"

The trio at once began to scrutinize each other carefully, to Edith's intense amazement.

Jack delayed the selection by inquiring—

"May I ask, Brett, why you wish one of us to haul down the British flag?"

"Because it is necessary that some one should keep a close eye on Gros Jean and the Turks. Sir Hubert Fitzjames might possibly be made up to represent un vieux moustache, but it is essential that he should speak French well."

"Then," cried Sir Hubert decisively, "I am out of court, because my French is weak, and I always want to go off into Hindustani whenever I open my mouth."

"Very well," concurred the barrister, "it comes back to you, Talbot, and I regret to inform you that for the next few hours you must be content with the inferior cooking and accommodation of the Jolies Femmes Hotel. If you will come out with me now I will get you rigged up in a cheap French suit. That, and a supply of bad cigarettes, will provide a sufficient disguise for your purpose. You must pack a few belongings in a green tin box and betake yourself to the Jolies Femmes. Do not make any inquiries about Gros Jean. Simply watch him."

"Can't you find me a job?" demanded Fairholme.

"Yes, a most pleasant one. It will be your duty to accompany Miss Talbot and Sir Hubert, and show them the sights of Marseilles. I will meet you here at luncheon, but we probably cannot see Mr. Talbot again until late to-night, when he will have an opportunity to come here quietly and detail the results of his observations. Of course," he added, addressing the young man directly, "if anything important happens during the day you know where to find me, either personally or by messenger."

It was natural that Edith's first steps with her lover and uncle would lead towards the scene of her overnight adventure. But Miss Talbot was a clear-headed girl and took no risks. She knew well that in a chance encounter the sharp eyes of Marie and Eugenie might pick her out unless she was to some extent shrouded from observation. So she donned a large Paris hat and a smart costume, which, with the addition of a thick veil, rendered her very unlike the girl who twelve hours earlier was pursuing a recalcitrant lover.

Secure in the changed appearance effected by these garments, and especially in the escort of two such English-looking persons as Lord Fairholme and Sir Hubert

## BOVRIL

IS THE  
GREAT  
BODY-BUILDER

See the British Medical  
Journal, Sept. 16, '11.  
and the Medical Times,  
Nov. 18, '11.

Fitzjames, she walked with them down the Cannebiere and on the quay.

Then she strolled back around the harbor, still pursuing the track of Edith's midnight wanderings, when Fairholme suddenly whistled with amazement.

"By Jove, look there!" he cried.

"That's a piece of luck."

He pointed to the upper part of the basin, in which a number of smart yachts were anchored side by side. Marseilles is a natural point of departure for Mediterranean tours, and many yacht-owners send their vessels here to be coaled and stored for projected trips.

"What is it?" queried Edith, when she could see nothing in the locality indicated save the vessels and the small expense of water dancing in the rays of a bright sun.

"The very best thing that could have happened. There is Daubeny's yacht, the Blue Bell. Suppose it becomes necessary for us to follow up Dubois and his fishing smack, and we let Daubeny into the know. The Blue Bell would pursue the Belles Soeurs to China. He would ask no better fun. I tell you that Brett will be delighted when he hears of it."

"Yes, dear, but we do not even know that Mr. Daubeny is in Marseilles."

"Let us go and see. It doesn't matter a pin anyhow, because a telegram from me to him would place the yacht at our disposal, and he would join us by express at the first possible stopping-place. You do not know what a good chap Daubeny is," and Fairholme continued to dilate upon the superlative excellencies of Daubeny until they reached the yacht itself.

A smartly attired sailor was pretending to find some work in carefully uncoiling a rope which did not satisfy his critical eye. Before Fairholme could hail the man, a round form, encased in many yards of blue serge, surmounted by a jolly-looking face on top of which was perched an absurdly small yachting cap, emerged from the companion.

"Why, there he is," shouted the earl. "Halloo, Daubeny! Yoicks! Tally-ho!"

The person addressed in this startling manner stopped as though he had been shot. He gazed at the sky and then gravely surveyed the gilded statue that surmounts the picturesque church of Notre Dame de la Garde.

"Here I am, you idiot," continued Fairholme. "I am not in a balloon. I am on the quay. Come here quick. I want to introduce you to Edith and Sir Hubert."

The meeting on the quay was hearty in the extreme.

Miss Talbot thought Mr. Daubeny rather curious. But still he was very nice, and unquestionably the services of the Blue Bell might be more than useful.

So she was graciousness personified in her manner, and promptly determined to invite him to luncheon, thinking that the chance direction of their conversation with Mr. Brett might lead towards the use of the yacht being hinted at.

She counted without Fairholme. The latter slapped his heavy friend on the back.

"Look here, old chap, are you fixed up for a cruise? Plenty of coal, champagne, and all that sort of thing?"

"Loaded to the gunwales."

"That's all right, because we may want the Blue Bell for a month or so."

"There she is," said Daubeny; "fit to go anywhere and do anything."

The Blue Bell was an extremely smart little ship of 250 tons register, and an ordinary speed of twelve knots. Incidentally Miss Talbot discovered that the owner made the vessel his home. He was never happy away from her, and the Blue Bell was known to every yachtsman from the Hebrides to the Golden Horn.

To eke out her coal supply she was fitted with sails, and Daubeny assured his visitor that the Blue Bell could ride out a gale as comfortably and safely as any craft afloat. Altogether Miss Talbot congratulated herself on Fairholme's discovery, and she could not help hoping that their strange errand to Marseilles might eventuate in a Mediterranean chase.

When the tour of inspection had ended Daubeny suggested an excursion.

"I understand you have never been to Marseilles before, Miss Talbot. In that case, what do you say if we run over and see the Chateau d'If—the place that Dumas made famous, you know?"

"Is it far?" said Edith.

"Oh, not very; about a mile across the harbor. Monte Cristo swam the distance, you know, at his escape."

"Shall we go in the yacht?" Daubeny bubbled with laughter.

"Well, not exactly, Miss Talbot. You cannot swing a ship of this size about as easily as all that, you know. I have another craft alongside that will suit our purpose."

He whistled to a tiny steam launch which Edith had not noticed before, and without further ado the party seated themselves.

(To be continued.)

## PLACER GOLD MINING IN QUEBEC.

By the expenditure of a large sum of money, and with no noise or publicity, there has been opened up in the Eastern Townships of Quebec, Canada, the largest placer gold mining proposition east of the Canadian-American border. The holdings consist of 7,000 acres of land, known as the Seigneurie Rigaud Vaudreuil, Benoit Co., including a number of rivers following the beds of ancient streams, with their immense deposits of gold-bearing gravel. Gold had, until a few years ago, been mined from these gravel beds in a primitive way for many years. Differences as to mining rights checked operations until very recently, when a strong company, organized by prominent business men of Montreal, purchased from the original owners of the seigneurie the perpetual rights to mine for precious minerals on the 7,000 acres. They entered into the practical exploration and development of the wonderful gold deposits on the seigneurie, and expended many thousands of dollars in exploration. A complete hydraulic plant, with all necessary machinery, has been installed on one of the many gold-bearing river beds, and actual mining operations established. Three large "giants" throwing solid streams of water under immense pressure, wash the sand and gravel into a sluice where the nuggets and dust are collected and recovered. Three short "clean-ups" were made before the onset of freezing weather last November, resulting for the first clean-up in a recovery of 36 lbs. in gold per cu. yard. The second clean-up gave 42 lbs. in gold per cu. yard, and the third, after only two hours of washing on virgin ground, gave values of \$152.00.

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### FRENCH NAVAL OFFICERS.

Orders Conferred in Connection with Delhi Wreck.

A recent issue of The London Times says—

We are officially informed that in recognition of the gallant aid rendered by the officers and crew of the French cruiser *Friant* on the occasion of the wreck of the *Penninsular & Oriental Company's* steamship *Delhi* off Cape Spartel on December 13 last, the King has been pleased to confer on the officer commanding the cruiser, Capitaine de frigate Andre Paul Marie Lequerre, an honorary commandership of the Royal Victorian Order, and to appoint Lieutenant Charles Jerome Alexandre Drujon to be an honorary member of the same Order (fourth class).

His Majesty has also conferred on the following officer and men who formed the crew of the cruiser's steam barge which went to the assistance of the steamship *Delhi* the gold medal for gallantry in saving life at sea:—Lieutenant C. J. A. Drujon, Louis Boussard, Jacques Thomas, Albert Marius Durien and Jean Louis Le Camelec.

The King has also presented to the families of Joseph Noel Remond, Florent Emile Carel and Georges Marie Lagadee, the members of the crew of the barge who lost their lives on the same occasion, the gold medal for gallantry in saving life at sea, which would have been conferred upon them had they survived.

The British Government, in token of their appreciation of the gallant conduct of the officers and crew of the *Friant*, have presented to the officers a piece of gold plate, and they have made a grant of £50 each to the families of the men who lost their lives.

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One Sunday a man appeared in a country church with an ear tin-

### HIS PREFERENCE.

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Dr. Alexander Graham Bell.

pet—something unfamiliar to the congregation. Just before the service began an official approached the stranger.

"Say," he said, excitedly, "you can't play that horn in here. If you try it, I'll put you right away."

Dr. Bell is a Scotchman by birth. His residence in Canada was brief. After going to the United States he became professor of vocal physiology at Boston University, and founded the American Association to Promote Teaching of Speech to the Deaf, to which organization he donated \$250,000. Dr. Bell is sixty-five years of age, and now lives in Washington.

### TOO LATE.

She looked at him sadly after she had promised to be his wife.

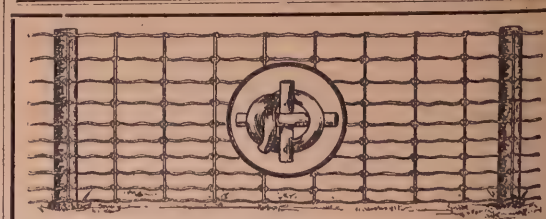
"Why do you gaze at me like that?" he asked. "You look as if you were unhappy."

"I'm sorry this couldn't have happened before," she replied. "Now everybody will think I took advantage of my Leap Year privilege."

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## HOUSEHOLD

### MISCELLANEOUS RECIPES.

**Oatmeal.**—Cook this cereal overnight in a fireless cooker or double boiler. If a coal range is used, cook an hour in the double boiler, then remove to the back of the range, and let it continue to cook overnight. If gas is used, cook one-half hour in double boiler, fill the water receptacle with boiling water, turn out the gas and wrap the double boiler in an old blanket, paper or any convenient non-conductor, thus retaining the heat. The flavor of oatmeal thus cooked is delicious. Serve warm with cream or add chopped raisins, dates or figs, or mold and serve cold, as preferred.

**Radish and Celery Salad.**—Six tender red radishes, one bunch celery, one head lettuce, one-quarter cup French dressing. Cut celery in 2-inch lengths, slash  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch and  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch apart on each end, throw into ice water and allow to stand two hours. The cut ends will curl up. Wash, wipe and slice the radishes in thin circular slices, leaving the peel on for the color. Rub the celery bowl with onion and line the bowl with the lettuce leaves, which have been crisped in ice water. Arrange the radishes on the lettuce leaves, then add a layer of celery; continue until all are used. Pour the French dressing over all, taking care each portion is marinated. Serve at the table.

**Baked Pig Ham.**—Procure a choice ham from a young animal. Remove rind, stick cloves over the surface at intervals of 3 or 4 inches, coat with sugar syrup and cover with sifted flour. Place in roaster and bake in a moderate oven until well done. Baste with warm water and drippings each half hour. Remove cover and allow the ham to brown. Serve hot with apple sauce.

**Sponge Cake.**—Six eggs, one cup sugar, one tablespoon lemon juice, one cup flour; salt. Separate eggs, beat the whites until creamy. To the beaten yolks add gradually the sugar and seasoning and half the whites. Then sift in gradually the flour and salt. Add the remainder of the whites and bake as a loaf or in small cakes. This recipe is used for ladyfingers also.

**Potato Apples.**—Two cups mashed potatoes, one tablespoon melted butter, two tablespoons milk, one dozen whole cloves. If left-over mashed potatoes are used, heat thoroughly in a double boiler. When warm beat until thoroughly mixed. Divide into eight portions, form into a ball, dent the top and insert a clove, pushing well down, to represent the bloom end of the apple. Dent the opposite end and insert a clove as a stem; cinnamon sticks may be used if preferred. Brush apple with melted butter, sprinkle one side with paprika or cinnamon to give a red cheek. Bake ten minutes in a medium oven. Serve hot.

**Cereal with Fruit.**—One cup water, one-quarter cup cereal, one-quarter cup chopped dates, one-quarter teaspoon salt, one-quarter cup chopped raisins. Cook the cereal in boiling salted water five minutes. Place over water and cook several hours as directed in case of oatmeal. Before taking from the cooker add the fruit and mix carefully. Mold and serve with whipped cream.

**Veal Birds.**—Two pounds veal chops (about), one bunch parsley, two ounces bacon, one-half onion, one-half cup bread crumbs, one saltspoon salt, one-quarter saltspoon paprika. Cut veal in three-inch squares. Put bones in soup kettle. Pound each piece out flat, place on top of strip of thin bacon three inches long and a half-inch wide, a spray of parsley and a teaspoonful of bread crumbs. Sprinkle with salt, paprika and add a few drops of onion juice. Roll the veal tightly and skewer in place in casserole. With the fat in which the birds have been browned make a thin brown sauce and add to the casserole, covering the birds. Bake till tender. When ready to serve arrange the birds on the platter, remove the skewers, cover with brown sauce and garnish with sprig of parsley.

**Bird's Nest on Toast.**—Prepare four slices of buttered toast. On each slice make a ring of white of egg beaten stiff. Slip the yolk into the center of the ring. Sprinkle with salt and place under the boiler until the egg is "set." Serve very hot.

**Tomato Green Pepper Salad.**—One-quarter cup French dressing, three medium-sized tomatoes, one small green, sweet pepper, one bunch head lettuce. Select firm tomatoes, peel and slice. Remove the seeds from a fresh green pepper and slice the pod in very thin strips with a paring knife. Rub a small salad bowl with a bit of onion, and line with crisp lettuce leaves. Arrange a layer of sliced tomatoes upon the lettuce and sprinkle with the sliced green pep-

pers, then another layer of the tomatoes and the remainder of the green peppers. Pour the dressing over all. The salad is intended to be served at the table.

**Larded Beef Tenderloin.**—Select the tenderloin from a prime beef if possible and have your meat cutter "lard" it for you. Brown in hot fat, remove to the roaster, baste well and bake about forty-five minutes, basting every five minutes.

**Broiled Bananas with Bacon.**—Two bananas, two slices best bacon, half bunch cress. Select firm bananas, peel and split through the center lengthwise. Arrange upon a broiler with cut surface uppermost. Cut the bacon into narrow strips and arrange on the bananas. Close broiler and broil over coals or under gas flame until bacon is crisp and bananas well cooked (about ten minutes). If coals are used be careful to avoid smoking the bananas. Serve on hot platter garnished with cress.

### HOUSEKEEPING HELPS.

Don't try to save coal at the expense of the viands; always have a steady and sufficient fire for cooking.

A stock pot should always be handy, and bones and odd pieces of meat put in for the making of soups and gravies.

Every drop of dripping and bacon fat, etc., ought to be saved. The former, when clarified, will keep a long time, and the latter is excellent for making pastry.

A discarded wire bonnet frame can be bent to any desired shape and fitted in the mouth of a jardiniere or wide vase, forming just the support that certain long-stemmed flowers need to keep them in graceful position.

If you use kerosene lamps and do not personally see to having the inner parts taken out and boiled in vinegar and soda, you do not realize how bright the light can be made.

Half of a dress shield fastened on the under side of baby's bib prevents the moisture from wetting his dress and underclothing.

Perhaps few people know that china silk waists should be washed, then starched in a thin starch and ironed while damp. This makes them look just as they did when they were new.

If in search of a soil covering for potted plants, invest a few pennies in a packet of *Jonopsidium* seed, known as diamond flower, and you will be rewarded after sowing, in a very short time, with a beautiful green carpet, set with diamond-shaped blossoms of a pale blue color.

A corn broom (floor or hand) which has become worn so the corners are round, should be cut off across the bottom until they are square as when new. The broom will do better work as well as look better.

Ordinary baking soda, either as a powder or dissolved in a little water, will put out a small fire immediately. It forms a gas, carbon dioxide, which smothers the flame. A small handful in a cup of water or by itself is nearly always sufficient.

For removing smoke and dust from wall paper, especially the ingrain, nothing is more effective than cotton batting cut into convenient squares. As the work progresses, peel off the soiled cotton and burn.

Every now and then, instead of allowing the carpet to remain in exactly the same position as first placed, the tread of the carpet should be moved a couple of inches or so either up or down. This has the effect of keeping the pile of the carpet in a uniform condition, and, besides retaining the fresh appearance of the carpet, it helps to last much longer than it would if left exactly as laid. It costs nothing to do this, yet saves much.

A substitute for the mirror or window frame as a place for drying handkerchiefs is a sheet of glass large enough for two handkerchiefs on each side. This can easily be kept clean, and the handkerchiefs can be more conveniently exposed to light and air.

### TWENTY-ONE BROTHERS MET.

Introduction Made at Home by Grey-haired Mother.

A meeting of twenty-one sons, some of whom had never seen each other before, took place in London on the birthday of their mother, Mrs. Corfield, a grey-haired Lincolnshire (England) woman.

The sons, who are all grown up, came from all parts. Two had journeyed from fruit farms in Canada; others who are soldiers had obtained special furlough. But the strangest feature of the meeting was that the mother had to introduce some of the sons to each other. They met as strangers. For the first time, for instance, the eldest son saw his two youngest brothers. He had left his mother's home for distant lands before the others were born. Only the happy, smiling mother with the silver-grey hair was able to recognize each member of this vast family.



### NEW SPRING MODELS FROM PARIS.

These three models are early Spring fashions which show in detail some of the important features that will soon be popular. The gown on the right is of pearly grey satin, fastened at the side with flat glass buttons and collar and cuffs of embroidery. The middle gown is of white taffeta with a deep girdle of black satin with a bow, and sash ends to hem of skirt. The gown on the left is of marine blue voile with corded puff of taffeta at all edges. On this skirt is shown the new accordion pleated flounce.

### SIMPLE LIFE OF JAPANESE

#### WAGES MEAGRE AND EXPENSES ARE LOW.

#### Well-to-do and Poor Housed Nearly Alike and All Enjoy Themselves.

In Japan a remarkable feature of the industrial and social life is the great uniformity in the manner of living, among different classes, says the Westminster Review. They all live in very similar dwellings. The poorer people have four wooden walls, and for furniture a few mats and blankets and a coal pot.

In Manchuria Japanese settlers are beginning to build stone houses with steam heating, but they are bare inside. Nor is this feature confined to the working classes. It is found through all strata of the population.

The food, save in the very highest classes, is in the main very uniform, rice and green tea, with sake as a stimulant. Among those who have not yet adopted European fashions, even the dress is in substance the same brought out in the middle and the lower classes.

#### HIGH WAGES NOT NEEDED.

The question of the balance between wages and the cost of living is the one that in the long run makes revolutions. It has not come into the open yet in Japan. Wages vary exceedingly, and no real standard can be given, but they are, as a rule, very small, though recent years have witnessed a steady rise. They are given sometimes by time, sometimes by piece, mostly by weird combinations of all possible methods.

But the weekly budget of the Japanese working man is very small. His rent is a mere trifle; the same may be said of his food. His only extras are a hot bath regularly every other day, twice a month or so a family trip to the theatre, a few pence for toys for his children and a few more to propitiate the deities or the priests. Counting the family at two adults and three juveniles, and including every necessary and likely outlay the weekly bill will come to about three dollars a week.

#### WORK HOURS VARY.

Hours of labor are to western notions outrageous, on an average eleven a day but frequently twelve, thirteen or even fourteen. Attempts have been made repeatedly to start trade unions, but never successfully. Where they have struggled into wretched existence they are of no account whatever, because they do not as yet answer to a need of the people. It is significant that many of these attempts were brought to a ruinous end by the dishonesty and corruption of their promoters.

Insurance against old age and infirmity is unnecessary in Japan, so long as the present firmly anchored tradition endures, which ascribes it as a duty upon each person to contribute to the maintenance of an aged, incapable or infirm member of his family.

Flour will lose its goodness if kept in a damp place.

### WHEN HUME WAS ORTHODOX.

David Hume, famous for his history, his philosophy and his atheism, was once, we are told, reduced to a very humble and obedient orthodoxy—although that state of mind did not long endure. The story is thus told by the London Chronicle:

Having fallen into a swamp at the back of Edinburgh Castle, he called for assistance to a woman who was passing. At first she took no notice, but presently she asked: "Are na ye Hume, the atheist?" "Weel, weel, no matter," Hume said. "Christian charity commands you to do good to every one." "Christian charity here or Christian charity there," the woman said, "I'll do naething for ye till ye turn a Christian yourself. Ye maun repeat the Lord's Prayer and the Creed, or faith, I'll let ye graze (grovel) there as I found ye." And he had to repeat them.



LORD PENTLAND.

Son-in-law of Lord Aberdeen, who gives up the Secretaryship for Scotland.

### JOHNNY'S MA OBJECTED.

Complaint is sometimes made of the home work necessary in connection with the schools. It will be seen there is only a qualified objection in the following instance related in the Youth's Companion: This is the note which was handed to one of the grade teachers the other day:

"Dear Mum—Please excuse Johnny to-day. He will not be at school. He is acting as timekeeper for his father. Last night you gave him this example, if a field is 4 miles square how long will it take a man walking 3 miles an hour to walk 2 1/2 times around it? Johnny ain't no man so we had to send his daddy. They left early this morning and my husband said they ought to be back late to-night, though it would be hard going. Dear Mum, please make the next problem about ladies, as my husband can't afford to lose the day's work."

## THE SUNDAY SCHOOL STUDY

### INTERNATIONAL LESSON,

MARCH 3.

### Lesson IX.—The call of the first

Disciples, Mark 1. 14-23; Luke

5. 1-11. Golden Text,

Matt. 9. 37, 38.

MARK 1. 14-20.

Verse 14. After John was delivered up—imprisoned by the order of Herod, whom the fearless prophet of righteousness had rebuked for his open disregard of the laws of morality and justice.

Jesus came into Galilee—From Judaea, where, according to the record preserved for us in the fourth Gospel (John 1. 19 to 3. 36), Jesus had already taught in public, cleansing the temple courts, discoursing with Nicodemus, and preaching near the Jordan. It was on his way from Judaea to Galilee that Jesus had stopped in Samaria, speaking with the woman at Jacob's well and preaching the gospel at Sychar.

15. The time is fulfilled—Every loyal Jew expected the early advent of the kingdom of God. This Messianic expectation of his countrymen furnished Jesus with a point of contact for his public teaching and gained for him the attention of the multitude. Before, however, giving his own interpretation of the significance of that Messianic hope or the character of the Messianic kingdom, Jesus took pains to indorse the preaching and ministry of John the Baptist. This he did by linking his own message on to the message of his forerunner, upon whose exhortation, Repent ye, and believe, he places a new emphasis by incorporating it into his own gospel message.

Between verses fifteen and sixteen of Mark's narrative belong two events not recorded by Mark, namely, the healing of the nobleman's son (John 4. 46-54), and the first rejection at Nazareth (Luke 4. 16-30). From Nazareth Jesus proceeded to Capernaum (Matt. 4. 13-16; Luke 4. 31), and in and near which all the events recorded in the remainder of our lesson passages took place.

16. By the sea of Galilee—This beautiful inland lake is about twelve and one half miles long by eight miles wide at its broadest part. It is very deep and lies six hundred feet beneath sea level in the deep gorge of the Jordan, which enters it at the north and passes out from it again at the south. It has been compared, by reason of its charm and natural scenic beauty, to the lakes of Lucerne and Geneva.

Simon—Given the name of Peter by Jesus (John 1. 42). Both Simon and Andrew, as probably also James and John, had met Jesus before (compare John 1. 35-42; 2. 11).

Mark's account of the events which follow (verses 16-20) is considerably abbreviated and reveals several important differences from the longer account given in Luke (5. 1-11), which compare below. Many commentators have thought that we have in the two gospel narratives accounts of separate though similar events, but on the whole it seems easier to regard the two accounts as records of the same event in spite of their differences, which a comparison of the two accounts makes clearly evident.

17. Come ye—Luke pictures Jesus as addressing himself to Peter, who doubtless on this as on other occasions was the spokesman of the group.

Fishers of men—A beautiful figure of their later work and ministry, which, like their secular calling thus far, would require the qualities of alertness, energy, patience, and promptness in the seizing of opportunities.

18. James—Or, Jacob. He is always mentioned first when spoken of in connection with his brother John, who seems to have been the younger.

20. Left their father . . . with the hired servants—Zebedei was not left helpless. The family was apparently in comfortable circumstances. At least one of the four men here mentioned had been a disciple of John the Baptist, and all of them, doubtless, had often spoken of Jesus. Their determination to become active disciples of his may have been already formed; his unexpected appearance and call at this time simply furnished the opportunity for carrying their resolve into effect.

LUKE 5. 1-11.

Luke's account of the call of the four disciples, Simon, Andrew, James and John, adds many circumstantial details to the concise statement of Mark. At this point in his narrative Luke's information is clearly taken from another fuller account which it seemed to him important to incorporate in his narrative.

Verses 1. General note—The name of the little plain touching the northwestern shore of the Sea of Galilee (Matt. 14. 34; Mark 6. 63);

and hence frequently also given to the lake itself.

2. Two boats—One belonging to Simon and Andrew and the other probably to James and John.

5. Master—Simon's use of this title indicates that he already regarded himself as a disciple of Jesus.

6. They inclosed a great multitude of fishes—The fourth Gospel records a similar miraculous draught of fishes at the end of our Lord's ministry and following the resurrection (John 21. 6). The differences between the two narratives, however, warrant their being considered as accounts of two separate events.

7. Began to sink—Were in danger of sinking.

10. Jesus said unto Simon—Addressing him as the spokesman of the group and in response to his own words.

11. They left all, and followed him—This is the important fact recorded in the narrative, and for which the other events narrated simply form the appropriate setting.

MARK 1. 21-28.

The remaining verses of our lesson (21-28), together with six additional verses not included in the lesson selection (29-34), record the successive events crowded into a day of helpfulness which Jesus spent at Capernaum. A parallel account of this day of miracles and teaching is found in Luke 4. 31-41, one of the passages which Luke seems to have taken from Mark, as suggested in the introductory paragraph above.

Verses 21. Capernaum—Situated near the northwestern shore of the Sea of Galilee. The exact site has never been determined. Capernaum was for some time the headquarters of Jesus during the period of his Galilean ministry, and a center to which he often returned from shorter teaching journeys.

22. As having authority, and not as the scribes—The scribes were in the habit of citing various authorities for the teachings they set forth. Jesus spoke in his own name, without this usual deference to the recognized authorities in matters of law and doctrine.

23. A man with an unclean spirit—A man with a malady which made on those about him the impression of being under the control of some foreign, hostile power or spirit. For a fuller discussion of the whole problem of demoniacal possession, see Introduction to Text Studies for March 10.

27. They were all amazed . . . What is this? . . . he commandeth even the unclean spirits—This verse gives us the key to a correct understanding of the narrative which precedes. We have in Mark's account of these events, as in all of our gospel narratives, a record of the impression which the words and works of Jesus made on his contemporaries, including the disciples and evangelists.

### HOW TO STOP STAMMERING.

Pathetic as it is, one can hardly help smiling at the story of the little stammerer who, when asked by a gentleman the way to the station, stammered out: "You'd be there before I could tell you, sir." Stammering is due to a peculiarly nervous temperament, and only very sympathetic treatment can effect a cure. In a child it should have immediate attention, and the first thing is to improve the little one's health by means of plenty of sleep, fresh air, and good food. Every day he should take deep-breathing exercises in the open air, to strengthen the muscles of the throat, and counteract a spasmodic habit of breathing. Notice should be taken of the sounds which the little stammerer has most trouble with, and sentences containing these sounds should be composed for him to repeat each day—very slowly and clearly. He should be asked to read aloud every day, and, what is very important, he should never be laughed at or scolded.

### AH-TISH-OO!

The only attention we pay to a sneeze at the present day is to endeavor to get rid of the chill which causes it; but a sneeze in the days of old Greece was a matter of great concern and import. There was a god of sneezing, and great undertakings would even be abandoned if a man sneezed at an important moment, the act being prophetic. A sneeze between midnight and noon was looked upon as a fortunate sign, but between noon and midnight it betokened great misfortune. To sneeze to your right was lucky; to the left unlucky. Two or four sneezes were lucky, and one or three very unlucky, and any undertaking in hand should, if possible, be abandoned; more than four sneezes did not count. There is a saying in many parts of England to-day, "Once a wish, twice a kiss, three times a letter, four times something better." If people sneezed together it was a good sign, particularly if they happened to be discussing business.



### The Civil Law Supreme

Mr. Justice Charbonneau's judgment in the Hebert case clears the air. It puts into plain words the contention that the civil law is supreme in Quebec as in other parts of Canada, and that no ecclesiastical court has the power to annul a marriage solemnized by a person authorized by the State to perform the marriage ceremony. The judgment goes further. It declares that there is no legal basis for the claim put forward by the Church of Rome in the Province of Quebec, that the marriage of two Catholics, to be valid before the law as well as in the eyes of God and the Church, must be performed by a priest. In effect, Mr. Justice Charbonneau says that a priest officiating at a marriage ceremony is the representative of the State, and that it is in that capacity he acts. The dogma of the Church of Rome that marriage is a sacrament, and that as a priest only can officiate at a sacrament of the Church, so the marriage of two Catholics or of a Catholic and a non-Catholic requires for its validity from an ecclesiastical point of view—that a priest shall perform the ceremony, is a matter entirely between the Church and its members. That dogma the law of Quebec does not recognize. Two Catholics, such as Hebert and his wife, or a Protestant and a Catholic, may be married in Quebec by any person, Catholic or Protestant, authorized by the law to perform the ceremony of marriage, and the tie can be dissolved only by the State.—Globe.

### Agricultural Wealth

The productivity of the soil of Ontario could be vastly increased if modern methods of cultivation, fertilizing, crop rotation, etc., were followed.

The following is an example of what intensive farming has accomplished. An Ontario farmer had a hundred acres six years ago of very poor land, so poor in fact that it would not grow decent weeds, which is practically the state of too much land in this province. First year's product by adopting modern methods was \$1,500. The second year's was \$5,000. Another 100 acres was added the 3rd year, also poor land, and the gross product was \$22,000. 4th year \$30,000. The 5th year 100 acres more were added, making 300 acres in all, and gross product was \$30,000. Last year, the 6th, the product was \$47,000, but it was a two-thirds failure, causing a loss of quite \$20,000. In the last four years he paid out for raw material, eight, ten, twenty, and fifteen thousand dollars respectively. He says "If 1911 had yielded as well as 1910, gross receipts would have been \$75,000." Old Ontario has room for tenfold its present population supported from the land. But unless labor conditions are improved cost of living is going to mount still higher.

Referring to the size of Ontario, 220,000 square miles, Northern Ontario contains of this 140,000 square miles, with 114,000,000 acres still vested with the crown.

Northern Ontario is four times greater than Southern Ontario. If Southern Ontario can produce what has been shown, what are the possibilities of our Northern heritage of 140,000,000 acres?

Our parliamentary trustees must get settlers by opening up good roads, building railroads, adopt aggressive publicity and modern settlement policies.

### Her Only Hope

#### Canadian Government Annuities System Not Abolished

The Superintendent of Annuities has received the following enquiry from an anxious correspondent who, probably, had read the announcement that the agency staff of the Branch had been discontinued.

"I wish to know, is it a fact that the Annuities system has been abolished? If so, I am terribly disappointed, as I have intended for some time to buy an Annuity next summer, paying the full price. I never thought that the Act could be abolished, and have been using the money in other ways until I was of age to receive the first payment. I and many others have thought the Annuities was a fine provision for poor people. Can I still buy a Government Annuity? and if not, is there anything that will take its place that can be bought? I do hope that it is not true that the Annuities has been abolished, as it gave me the ONLY HOPE for my old age."

We are glad to say that the Annuities System has not been abolished. In transferring the Branch to the Post Office Department under the administration of the Postmaster General it is believed that wider publicity will be given to the System, and that both old and young will more readily learn of the opportunity Parliament has afforded them of making provision for old age. The Postmaster General is active, while formerly they were only passive agents of the Branch. The benefits will, of course, be more apparent where payments are begun at an early age, the accumulation period being longer, and the marvellous earning power of compound interest will be more strikingly demonstrated; and there is always the danger if payment is deferred to a late age that unfortunate investments or expenditures may be made, and the necessary

amount be not then available. There is no time like the present.

Full information in regard to the various plans on which Annuities may be purchased may be obtained at the Post Office or on application to the Superintendent of Annuities, Ottawa, to whom letters on Annuities business go free of postage.

### Address and Presentation at Wellman's

On the evening of February 2nd, over one hundred friends and neighbors visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. Burgess to show their good will and best wishes towards them before their removal to their new home in Trenton.

Mr. Blake Totton read the subject of the address, Mr. Burgess' mother made a feeling reply after Mr. Totton and Mr. Morton had placed her in her chair. Mr. and Mrs. Burgess thanked their friends for the presents and good wishes.

A short speech was made by Rev. J. A. Connell. Other speeches were made by Mr. Robert Totton, Mr. Alex. Morton, and Mr. Israel Clancy. After refreshments were served an enjoyable evening was spent in conversation and music.

#### The Address:

To Mr. and Mrs. Philip Burgess and Family—

We, your friends and neighbors, are gathered here to-night to spend a few hours in social intercourse with you before you leave for your new home in Trenton.

Your going from among us will leave a vacancy hard to fill. You have always been ready to lend a helping hand in friendship, need, or sorrow, and in all church work—Sunday School, and Epworth League, and Mrs. Burgess, in the choir, for many years. Many here have known you from infancy. Our sympathies are with the aged mother who spent her childhood and will not now care to make new friends. God's protecting care will go with her, around her and about her, and underneath are the everlasting arms. We earnestly hope you will spend many pleasant hours in this chair to her. And you, dear Mr. and Mrs. Burgess, please accept this Hall Rack, and Miss Leona, this Silver, not for the intrinsic value of these gifts but for the place you hold in our hearts. We wish you health and prosperity, and may you ever keep green the memory of your friends at Wellman's.

Signed on behalf of the donors,  
ROBT. TOTTON.  
ALEX. MORTON.  
FRED SNARR.  
BLAKE TOTTON.

### LEARNING ABOUT CANADA.

#### Stories Told of the Englishman and His First Days Here.

There is a story with which most persons are familiar about an Englishman who was invited to go to New Ontario on a shooting excursion. He asked a few questions about the game and learned that wild cats were extinct and that bears were not plentiful. He could only expect to get a few rabbits and birds or perhaps a deer.

"I have done considerable big game shooting in Africa," he said, "and your program hardly appeals to me. I do not care about hunting unless there is a spice of danger in it."

"There will be a spice of danger, if you come with me," said his Canadian friend. "Last time I went shooting, I shot my brother-in-law in the leg."

A newer story of somewhat the same character arises from the recent Christmas season. An Englishman, who has only been in Canada for a short time, expressed his regret that he could not get home for the great festival. "I have always had a good Christmas here," he said. "I have much of the Christmas spirit out here," he told a friend, "and I love the old day. I like to see it preserved with all its customs and its gifts. I am afraid of missing the tradition out here where you have not the proper touch to the Christmas celebration."

The Englishman waited. He sent gifts to his friends in the Old Land. He purchased them for his acquaintances in the New. He was called upon to contribute to several hospitals and other charitable institutions. He helped with dinners for the poor, giving first for the adults and later for the children. Young ladies of his acquaintance made him contribute to several hampers that they were giving to poverty-stricken families. He bought some toys for a Sunday School Christmas tree. Then on Christmas Eve, he found that every one who had done anything for him during the year looked expectantly at him so he handed out something to everyone from his handbag to the elevator man at his office.

Then he met his Canadian friend. "I was quite mistaken," he declared, "for I find that you have got the Christmas touch in Canada."

#### Hard to Get Into Jail.

There was a queer old specimen of humanity brought to the Cuyahoga county jail. He had been convicted of the crime of cruelty to animals, and there was no doubt in anybody's mind that he richly deserved the penalty inflicted. It is the custom to examine prisoners, however, before they are assigned to their cells. When this old reprobate was brought up the interrogation went thus:

"What is your name?"  
"Budd Dobbs."  
"What is your age?"  
"Sixty-eight."  
"What is your religion?"  
"Great snake! Does a man suffer religious before they let him enter jail in this county?"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Forty per cent. of the school children of Montreal are pronounced diseased in a report of the Medical Health Officer.

## Great Reduction In Furs

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#### Cannot Maintain Lead.

Ontario still produces a little over one-third of the quantity of the lumber cut annually in Canada; but its annual cut, while increasing, is increasing more slowly each year. Ontario's 1900 cut was 17 per cent. greater than in 1908; its 1910 cut was only 7.5 per cent. more than in 1909. The Forestry Branch of the Department of the Interior has compiled statistics showing that 1,642,191,000 feet of lumber worth \$30,011,000 was cut in Ontario during 1910, but that British Columbia will take Canada's premier lumber province in a short time. The diversified forest of Ontario have enabled the province to hold its supremacy up to the present, as illustrated in 1910, when the chief cut of seventeen species came from Ontario. White pine to the value of \$17,743,074 came from Ontario forests and formed 85 per cent. of Canada's white pine cut. Nearly half of the hemlock cut in Canada in 1910 was cut in Ontario. It was over 90 per cent. of the red pine. Ontario contributed over 70 per cent. of the hardwoods. Of the total made up by 23 species cut in Ontario, over one-half was white pine. Red pine contributed 10 per cent. hemlock 12 per cent. leaving 25 per cent. to be equally divided among the hardwoods and less important conifers. To arrive at the correct amount cut by lumber mills of Ontario in 1910, there must be added to the above lumber cut, 1,976,000 shingles worth \$3,557,211 and 851,953,000 lath worth \$1,943,544.

#### Picking Up the Lingo.

Monsieur L'Orateur Docteur Sproule may now expect to be elected an honorary member of the Societe St. Jean Baptiste.

Hispanic, the Speaker has scented a French expression in the orders of the day, several pages off, and has hastily given the high sign to the clerk assistant to act as his understudy.

Not so to-day. When the doctor came to bill No. 45, an act respecting "La Compagnie du chemin de fer du Nord," he never even hesitated on the brink, but plunged in bravely, jockeyed playfully for a moment with the word "chemin," took "colonization" at a gallop, and shot over the tape a winner by several syllables. For real excitement it had the Grand Prix faded to a standstill. Vive Le Docteur.

#### Tenderfoot on Snowshoes.

Go snowshoeing in the Canadian woods and, if your imagination isn't too much clogged up with ticker tape and text-books and tariff reform and other sophisticated and useless things, you will get a piece of your boyhood back again for a few days.

Why we thrilled to the heart when the Canadian showed us the hillside where he had seen a caribou track the year before. At least he thought it was a caribou; it might have been a French-Canadian steer, but he didn't think so. We had the thrill, and the man who wants the caribou must go get him.—Thomas Foster in Outlook.

#### A Real Water-Melon.

Moncton, N.B., has been making money out of water. Some time ago the city expropriated the waterworks and decided to run it.

Recently, Mayor Reilly, of Moncton, made the announcement that \$21,390.92 stood to the profit of the city in its water account for the past year.

The civic officials in Moncton are trying to devise some plan for diverting the surplus to a good cause. Some have suggested that the extra water money be applied to reducing the civic taxes.

#### Har Forte.

Only a woman can smile sweetly when she wants to cry.

The Ontario Good Roads Association decided to ask \$50,000 from the Dominion Government for road improvement.

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#### Art and Science.

"What a beautiful picture of an angel!" said the lady who was visiting the art gallery.

"Yes," replied the aviation enthusiast, "but between you and me those wings aren't practical."—Washington Star.

#### Never Despair.

He who despairs wants love, wants faith, for faith, hope and love are three torches which blend their light together, nor does the one shine without the other.—Metastasio.

He is a brave man who refuses to be disheartened by the fact that he was beaten yesterday.

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## PERSONALS.

Mr. J. Grainger, Oshawa, is spending the  
week in town.

Mr. Wm. Mackintosh, I. P. S., has been  
in town for a couple of days.

Messrs. Irving and Will Eggleton left  
on Monday for Semans, Sask.

Mr. Frank Zwiek, of Toronto University  
spent Sunday at his home here.

Rev. B. F. Byers was in Picton last  
week attending the funeral of the late  
James A. Johnson, Conestoga.

Mr. A. Judd, Fort Stewart, was home  
for a few days visiting his mother and  
other relatives. He left for the north this  
morning.

Mrs. Roscoe Wright will receive on  
Tuesday and Wednesday of next week,  
March 5th and 6th, at the home of Mrs.  
B. R. Wright.

Mrs. B. Down returned to her home  
in Alaska last Tuesday, after visiting  
her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Tucker,  
for about two months.

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der, 25 cents each insertion; over three lines,  
75c. per line. Matter set in larger than the  
display type, 10c. per line.  
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## RAILWAY TIME TABLE

Trains call at Stirling station as follows:  
GOING WEST. GOING EAST.  
Mail & Ex., 6.03 a.m. Passenger, 10.37 a.m.  
Passenger, 6.45 p.m. Mail & Ex., 8.41 p.m.

## The Stirling News-Argus.

THURSDAY, FEB. 29, 1912

## LOCAL MATTERS.

A meeting of the Stirling Branch of  
the Women's Institute will be held in  
the office of the Department of Agri-  
culture on Wednesday, March 6th, at  
3 p.m. Subject for discussion "House-  
cleaning."

WANTED—A good girl for general  
housework. Apply to  
Mrs. JOHN SHAW.

The next regular meeting of the  
River Valley branch of the Women's  
Institute will be held at the home of  
Mrs. J. B. Weaver, Carmel, on Thurs-  
day afternoon, March 7th. Meeting  
will open at half past two. All ladies  
welcome.

A musical treat will be the en-  
tertainment given in St. Andrew's  
Church, Burnbrae, on the evening of  
Friday, March 8th, under the auspices  
of the W. F. M. S. Miss Howell, solo-  
ist of St. Andrew's church, Peterboro,  
will hold a vocal recital, and there are  
other interesting items on the pro-  
gramme. Admission 25c. and 10c.

## Hockey

Stirling Hockey team went to Mar-  
mora on Monday last, and played a  
game with the Marmora team that  
evening. The weather was very un-  
favorable, snow falling and drifting  
so that it was impossible at times to  
see the puck. The game closed with a  
score of 3-1 in favor of Marmora. A  
final game between these two teams  
will be played on Stirling rink to-  
morrow evening, and a first-class game  
may be expected.

A Better Farming Special Train run  
by the Canadian Pacific Railway and  
the Department of Agriculture for  
Ontario will be at Ivanhoe Station on  
Wednesday, March 13th, from 8.30 to  
10.30 a.m., and at Tweed from 11.00  
a.m. to 1.00 p.m. The train will  
consist of four baggage cars and three  
coaches. The former will contain ex-  
hibits covering Fruit Growing, Live  
Stock, Field Husbandry, Drainage,  
Dairying, Feeds, Poultry, Bee-Keep-  
ing, Fertilizers, and Concrete. The  
coaches will be used for lecture pur-  
poses. This is an exceptional opportu-  
nity to get valuable information  
along agricultural lines, and farmers  
should take advantage of it. Every-  
body welcome.

## Postponed on Account Of the Weather

Mr. T. Eggleton's auction sale,  
which was advertised for February  
23rd has been postponed and will take  
place on Monday next, March 4th.

## Wedding Bells

On Wednesday, Feb. 21st, a very  
pretty home wedding was solemnized  
at the home of Mr. and Mrs. David  
Wallace, when their daughter, Lizzie  
G., was united in marriage to Mr.  
Roscoe C. Wright, of Stirling.  
Promptly at half past eleven o'clock,  
to the strains of Mendelssohn's wed-  
ding march, played by Miss Edna  
Black, of Stirling, the bride and groom  
entered the drawing room and took  
their places under an arch of ever-  
greens and flowers, with two beauti-  
ful horseshoes hung overhead. The  
bride was given away by her father,  
and looked charming in a dress of pale  
blue silk mull, with overlace and bead  
trimming. Rev. J. A. Hiltz per-  
formed the ceremony. The guests,  
about seventy in number, proceeded  
to the beautifully decorated drawing  
room, and did ample justice to the  
good things provided for them. The  
high esteem in which the bride was  
held was shown by the many beauti-  
ful and costly gifts she received. The  
groom's gift to the bride was a sum-  
mer of pearls. The happy couple  
left on the afternoon train for Bel-  
leville. The bride travelled in a suit  
of navy blue broadcloth with hat to  
match. On their return, a reception  
was held at the home of the groom's  
father and mother. They will reside  
in Stirling. Their many friends wish  
them every happiness in their journey  
through life.

On Saturday a freight train came  
thundering into Tweed and one car  
containing charcoal for Deseronto was  
found to be on fire. Every effort was  
made to put the fire out but it only  
seemed to rage the more violently.  
Even the town fire engine and hose  
reels were called out but the car was  
doomed and the fire continued till  
every vestige of the wood was consumed,  
even to the car stowed. We hear that  
where the car stood, we hear that  
ten cars of charcoal were thus burned  
up between Tweed and Toronto on  
Saturday and Sunday. The cause ap-  
pears to be unknown.—Tweed News.

## Firemen's Demonstration and Old Boy's Reunion

On Friday evening last, Feb. 23rd,  
the most enthusiastic meeting ever  
held in Stirling, the firemen, busi-  
ness men, and citizens generally, was  
held at the Stirling House, and decided  
unanimously to go on with the Fire-  
men's Demonstration and Old Boys'  
Reunion on May 24th next. And  
judging by the spirit of the meeting  
there will be a big time in the old  
town, and a big day's satisfaction for  
everybody visiting Stirling on that  
date. Just make a note of it.

Mr. Jas. Lagrow, captain of the fire  
brigade was called to the chair, and  
the following committees were ap-  
pointed with power to add to their  
numbers:

Secretary—H. C. Martin.

Advertising Committee—Fred. T.

Ward, R. P. Coulter, J. S. Morton.

Invitation Com.—H. C. Martin, S.

Nolan.

Sports Com.—W. J. Whitty, J. M.

McGee, Jas. Sarges, Geo. E. Kennedy,

R. Colling.

Horse Races Com.—T. H. McKee,

Geo. Whitty, W. J. Graham.

Decorating Com.—L. Meiklejohn,

H. Hadley, Geo. Leary.

Booth Com.—J. L. Ashley, Geo.

Lagrow, L. F. Moon, E. T. Caverley.

Parade Com.—F. McKee, Chas.

Martin, D. A. Burkitt, R. Cosbey, A.

Moore, Jas. Drevery.

Concert and Band Com.—J. S. Mor-

ton, W. J. Reynolds, Fred. T. Ward.

School Competition Com.—A. D.

McIntosh, E. T. Williams, Wm. Kerr,

D. Green.

Railroad Com.—Dr. C. E. Walt, G.

G. Thrasher, M. Bird.

Finance Com.—W. R. Mather, W.

S. Martin.

The first name appearing in each  
committee is to act as chairman.

These are requested to get their com-  
mittees together, and report progress  
at the adjourned meeting to be held  
on Friday evening, March 23rd.

The Demonstration here in 1909 was a  
grand success, and everyone who at-  
tended expressed their satisfaction  
with the day's proceedings. We can  
do it again, and better, if every citizen  
will do their part. The object is a  
worthy one, as it was decided that  
the proceeds should go to the firemen  
to create a Firemen's Benefit Fund.

It means work from now on. The  
fire brigade deserve your united effort.  
You don't know how soon you may  
need them to return the compliment.  
All you would need to do would be to  
pull the bell.

## Committed for Trial

On Friday last, Mr. and Mrs. John  
Mack, of Rawdon, were committed  
on charge of interfering with officers  
of the law in the discharge of their  
duty.

The beginning of the trouble dates  
back to some time ago, when, in an ac-  
tion for slander, Mr. Redcliffe,  
of Rawdon, was given judgement for  
damages against the accused. The  
parties refusing payment, O. R. Jones,  
Baillif, was instructed to seize chat-  
tels sufficient to cover the judgement.  
This he undertook to do on Thursday  
last, but the accused offered such  
strenuous opposition that Mr. Jones  
returned home and wired to Belleville  
for instructions. He was told to take  
a posse of constables, with him and ef-  
fect the seizure; and on Friday,  
Messrs. Jones, H. Gillen, P. J. Scrip-  
shaw, and Green went to the home of  
Mr. Mack. Mr. Mack then attacked  
them with a pitchfork, and stuck it  
in the leg of one of the party. The  
fork was taken from him by force,  
and then Mrs. Mack came running up  
with an axe. Constable Jones then  
ordered arrest of both of them, and  
they were brought to town where the  
evidence was heard by Magistrate  
Michael O'Connor, sr., who committed  
them to Belleville for trial. They  
were taken down on Saturday by  
Constables Jones and Gillen.

The case was to have come up for  
hearing to day but owing to the terri-  
ble storm, and the C. O. R. being  
blocked, the witnesses from Marmora  
were unable to reach Belleville.—Mar-  
mora Herald, Feb. 22nd.

From the Daily Ontario we learn  
that Mr. and Mrs. Mack were brought  
before Judge Frazer for trial on Mon-  
day last. After hearing the evidence,  
Mrs. Mack was sentenced to four  
months in goal, and Mr. Mack to six  
months in the Central Prison at hard  
labor.

Hon. G. P. Graham was elected in  
South Renfrew by about three hun-  
dred majority.

Fire on Sunday morning destroyed  
the stables in connection with the  
Hastings House, Belleville. The loss  
of over \$1,000 is fully covered by in-  
surance. These stables have been de-  
stroyed by fire three times within a  
few years. An incendiary was no  
doubt the cause of the fire.

Mr. Ernest Winlaw of Heslip, Ont.,  
is bound to have some of the best  
cream in Ontario. Tuesday morning,  
Mr. Arthur Tufts, the famous Jersey  
man of this district, expressed to Mr.  
Winlaw a fine Jersey cow. This cow  
will travel about 500 miles to reach  
her new owner. Heslip is on the T.  
& N. O. Railway, 135 miles north of  
North Bay.—Tweed News.

For a sprain you will find Chamberlain's  
Liniment excellent. It always cures, re-  
moves the soreness, and soon restores the  
parts to a healthy condition. 25 and 50  
cent bottles for sale by all dealers.

Experiments in treating clay roads  
with a solution of tannic acid will be  
conducted by Mr. W. A. McLean,  
Provincial engineer of highways, dur-  
ing the coming spring and summer.  
It has been recommended to the Pro-  
vincial Roads Department that this  
treatment will give a wonderfully  
hardened surface to clay, rendering it  
tough and rubbery, and a surface that  
will last well and not be readily soft-  
ened by even persistent rainfalls.

## A Great Chance for Young Men From This Vicinity

Owing to the scarcity of young men up  
in Railway Telegraphy and Freight  
and Passenger work, a Railway School has  
been opened in Lindsay under the super-  
vision of Mr. A. M. Paton, to fit young  
men for the work. Positions are guaran-  
teed, common school education is suffi-  
cient and the business can be mastered in  
six months.  
Fees are reasonable. A pupil starting  
now will be at work early this summer.  
No field open to young men offers oppor-  
tunities for promotion equal to this. The  
Course is a business as well as an educa-  
tional. Write A. M. Paton, National Rail-  
way School, Lindsay, Ont.

## Auction Sales

SATURDAY, MARCH 2.—On the premises  
of Mr. Darius Green, south side Well-  
ington street, Stirling, a quantity of House-  
hold Furniture, etc. Sale at 2 o'clock,  
p.m. Wm. Rodgers, auctioneer.

TUESDAY, MARCH 5th.—On lot 11, Con-  
2, Rawdon, a number of high grade Hol-  
stein Cows; also first-class horses, etc.,  
the property of Mr. E. C. Snare. Sale at  
one o'clock, p.m. Wm. Rodgers, Auction-  
eer.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6th.—On lot 23,  
Con. 2, Sidney, Farm Stock and Imple-  
ments, the property of Geo. A. Snield.  
Sale at 9 o'clock, a.m., sharp.

THURSDAY, MARCH 7th.—On lot 20, Con-  
2, Rawdon, a number of high grade Hol-  
stein Cows; also first-class horses, etc.,  
the property of Mr. E. C. Snare. Sale at  
one o'clock, p.m. Wm. Rodgers, Auction-  
eer.

## Married

MACROSTIC "CLARK" At Trinity Church,  
Frankford, on Sunday, Feb. 25th, by Rev.  
B. F. Byers, M. A., Hattie I. Clark, second  
daughter of the late Geo. W. Clark, Frank-  
ford, to Donald Cecil MacRostic, of Toronto.

## Deaths

HUBBLE.—In Frankford, on Thursday,  
February 15th, 1912, Jacob Hubble, in his 55th  
year.

## For Sale

In the Village of Stirling, on Henry St.,  
one acre of land with solid brick house,  
electric lighted. Good cellar and cistern.  
All well at door. Also small barn. For  
particulars apply to owner.

25-11 WM. H. GOULD.

## SALE OF HOLSTEINS



# NE TEMERE DECREE NOT LAW

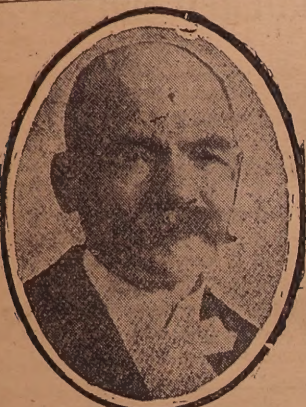
## Sweeping Verdict Given Validating Marriage in Famous Hebert Case

A despatch from Montreal says: In a judgment it is impossible to conceive could be more sweeping, Mr. Justice Charbonneau on Thursday morning "wiped the ne temere decree off the map of Canada," to use the words of a prominent Montreal lawyer, when he delivered his pronouncement on the famous Hebert-Cloutre marriage case. So sweeping is it that it more than surprised the lawyers interested in the case, while Rev. Mr. Timberlake, who performed the ceremony, said it "fairly took his breath away."

His Lordship's findings, in short, are as follows:—That the ne temere decree is of absolutely no force in the Province of Quebec as far as the legal aspect of marriage goes. He holds that it is a decree which has spiritual obligations only, and that its jurisdiction in these spiritual matters does not affect anyone outside the pale of the Roman Catholic Church.

Justice Laurendeau erred when on March 23, 1911, he gave civil effect to the annulment of the marriage done by the Roman Catholic authorities.

All of this is contained in the last part of the judgment, which is as follows:—  
"Basing itself on the motives given above, the court declares the marriage of the said Emma Cloutre and Eugene Hebert, celebrated on the 14th of July, 1903, before Rev. Wm. Timberlake, on production of a license of the 9th of July, 1903, good and valid, declares that the decree promulgated by the congregation of the council of the Roman Catholic Church on the 2nd of August, 1907, starting with the words 'ne temere,' has no civil effect, and that the decree of the ordinary of the diocese of Montreal, dated November 12, 1909, produced in this case by the plaintiff, has no judicial effect in the said case. Each party is to pay its own costs."



JUDGE CHARBONNEAU  
WHO HEARD THE FAMOUS  
MARRIAGE CASE

"The ne temere is a religious decree only," he said, "and its influence is confined to spiritual matters only, and in no way has any effect on the legality of marriage."

—His Lordship holds that the marriage performed by Rev. Wm. Timberlake, Methodist clergyman, between Emma Marie Cloutre and Eugene Hebert, on July 14th, 1903, is now and has always been perfectly valid.

—The court holds that no matter what the religious persuasions of the contracting parties are, any duly authorized clergyman can perform marriages which are perfectly legal in the eyes of the law of the Province of Quebec.

—The court holds that the annulment of the Hebert-Cloutre marriage by the Roman Catholic authorities of Montreal on November 12, 1909, is of absolutely no effect as far as the legality of the marriage is concerned.

—The court holds that Mr. Justice

Laurendeau will appeal, as the Hebert judgment has no more effect than other decisions as strongly upholding ecclesiastical law, but Hebert's lawyer says he will appeal if the money is forthcoming.

There was a tremendous crowd in the court when the judge appeared on the bench, while the corridors leading to the court were blocked with spectators and lawyers. The judgment took his Lordship over an hour to read.

### NOT FINAL DECISION.

Judge Charbonneau's decision does not finally settle the question of the status of the marriage law in Quebec. In another case another judge might give a decision diametrically opposed to this verdict, and the issue will remain unsettled until a decision is secured by appeal to the court of last resort, which is the Privy Council, or until the law is changed.

### CONSUMPTION SANITARIUM.

Hebrews of Montreal Have Raised \$500,000.

A despatch from Montreal says: The Hebrews of Montreal, who have

just embarked upon a campaign to raise \$500,000 for a consumption sanitarium at Ste. Agathe, Que., reached that sum on Wednesday morning. Collection will continue, notwithstanding the amount wanted has been obtained.

## EARNINGS OF THE T. & N.O.

Net Receipts of the Provincial Railway Total \$593,152.

In the annual report of the Temiskaming & Northern Ontario Railway, presented to the Ontario Legislature on Thursday, there is an increase in operating expenses over 1910 of \$16,637.27, although there has been a decrease in the percentage from 73.2 to 66.4, while the total net earnings for the year are \$593,152.69, compared with \$436,150.31 for 1910, which represent 33.6 per cent. of the gross earnings for 1911, as against 26.8 per cent. for 1910.

The total revenue from transportation for the year was \$1,703,249.02; from sources other than transportation, \$72,715.81, making a total operating revenue of \$1,780,369.83. The operating expenses were \$1,181,998.63, as compared with \$1,165,261.36 for 1910, making the net operating revenue \$598,966.20 and \$426,400.66 respectively, which, including royalties of \$17,060.06, give a total net revenue of \$616,026.76 for 1911, as against \$458,253.59 for 1910. Ore royalties for the year show a falling off of \$20,702.36. De-

ducting from the total net revenue the cost of hiring equipment, etc., for the year named, \$22,874.07 for 1911 and \$22,123.27 for 1910, the total net earnings for the road are \$593,152.69 for the year ending October 31, 1911, and \$436,150.31 for the same period in 1910.

In respect of these earnings a cheque for \$515,000 was paid to the Provincial Treasurer, while the 1910 payment was \$420,000.

The itemized pay-roll of the railway for operation shows payments amounting to \$748,522.65, and \$34,686.24 for construction, which represents a total sum paid for labor of \$783,218.89.

The total mileage in operation is 397.63, which includes branches to Charlton, Kerr Lake, Haliburton, Porcupine, together with yards and sidings. The main line from North Bay to Cochrane is 252.8. Net earnings for the year increased \$189,122.81, which is principally due to traffic to Porcupine gold camp, "although the opening of the rich lay belt and increased agricultural operations are becoming important."

## MAKING SAFE INVESTMENTS

WHY SHARES RISE OR FALL SHARPLY WHEN EARNINGS ARE GOOD OR BAD, WHILE BONDS MOVE NARROWLY.

Shares Depend for Their Market Price on the Amount of Dividends They Can Produce—Bonds Cannot Pay More Than Fixed Rate of Interest, so Good Earnings Cannot Help Bond Holder Beyond Adding to His Security.

The articles contributed by "Investor" are for the sole purpose of guiding prospective investors, and, if possible, of saving them from losing money through placing it in "wild-cat" enterprises. The impartial and reliable character of the information may be relied upon. The writer of these articles and the publisher of this paper have no interests to serve in connection with this matter other than those of the reader.

(By "Investor.")

Even if, as was pointed out last week, shares involve no promise of repayment, they usually command a reader market than bonds. Shares listed on any of the large stock exchanges are always in demand at some price, but unlike bonds of proportionate merit, the price is subject at times to wide fluctuations.

This constitutes one of the chief weaknesses of shares as investments. The share depends for its intrinsic value first on the amount of the assets of the company left after the amount of bonds and other liabilities are deducted, and secondly, on the amount of profits which are resulting from the business being carried on. If profits are poor as a result of an off year, the shares decline in the market; if, on the contrary, profits are large the price of shares tends to rise. In the case of bonds, however, even those of a company whose shares are subject to sharp fluctuations, the price is usually unchanged, except, perhaps, a matter of a point or two in extreme cases—unless the bonds are of an unusually speculative nature.

The reason for this is often overlooked, although the fact itself is a matter of everyday knowledge to anyone interested in investment matters.

A bond, as readers of these articles know, is a mortgage bearing on its face a promise to pay a certain rate of interest at certain times. Whether the company does well or ill, so long as it makes ample to provide for bond interest, the bondholder is secure. Of course, most good bonds are backed by earnings, running from double to many times the bond interest. Therefore, an off year cannot affect the bonds' value materially, nor can a good year offer any hopes of a greater return on the investment.

In the case of the share, however, conditions are reversed (we do not speak of "preferred" shares, which will be considered soon at some length). The share does not involve a promise to pay its face value back at any time, nor does it promise any income to the shareholder. If the company makes substantial profits the directors may consider it wise to "declare a dividend"—i.e., divide the profits pro rata among the shareholders, usually on a basis of so much per cent. on the par value of each share. In this case the share tends to rise in price, irrespective of whether there are any assets behind it to make its intrinsic value greater or not. As a rule, the market price of shares (not the intrinsic value, remember, which alone depends on the value of the assets) depends primarily on the company's ability or not to pay dividends.

Take a concrete case. A few years ago a company was formed to manufacture a certain well-known breakfast food. At that time the product was not well known, and its market problematical. The company was organized and floated in the States, and bonds were sold equaling in amount the total value of the visible assets. The stock that was given away with the bonds at the time had in the usual nature of bonus stock—no intrinsic value.

In time the company prospered. The stock sold at 40, and the General Man-

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and decline to accept anything that looks to be an imitation or that is represented to be "just as good" or "better," or "the same thing." In our experience of over fifty years in business we have never known of an imitation article that has been a success, for imitators are not reliable people. At the best the "just as good" kinds are only trashy imitations, so decline them with thanks every time.

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### REPORTS FROM THE LEADING TRADE CENTRES OF AMERICA.

#### Prices of Cattle, Grain, Cheese and Other Produce at Home and Abroad.

##### BREADSTUFFS.

Toronto, Feb. 27.—Flour—Winter wheat, 90 per cent. patents, \$1.75 to \$1.80 at sea-board, and at \$1.85 to \$1.90 for home consumption. Manitoba flours—First patents, \$5.50; second patents, \$5, and strong bakers', \$4.80, on track, Toronto.

Manitoba wheat—No. 1 Northern, \$1.13, Bay ports; No. 2 Northern at \$1.10, and No. 3 at \$1.06, Bay ports. Feed wheat, all-rail, 74 1/2c.

Ontario wheat—No. 2 white, red and mixed, 95 to 96c, outside.

Peas—Good shipping peas, \$1.18 to \$1.25, outside.

Oats—Car lots of No. 2 Ontario, 45 to 46c, and of No. 3 at 43 to 44c, outside. No. 1 extra W.C. feed, 45c, and No. 1, 48c, Bay ports.

Barley—Forty-eight lbs. quoted at 95 to 96c, outside.

Corn—No. 3 American yellow, 70 1/2 to 71c, Toronto freight.

Rye—No. 2 at \$1.08 to \$1.09, outside. Buckwheat—70 to 71c, outside.

Bran—Manitoba bran, \$25, in bags, Toronto freight. Shorts, \$26.50 to \$27.

##### COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Apples—Good stock, \$3 to \$4 per barrel. Beans—Small lots of hand-picked, \$2.35 to \$2.40 per bushel.

Honey—Extracted, in tins, 11 to 12c per lb. Combs, \$2.50 to \$2.75.

Baled Hay—Fair; No. 1 at \$15.50 to \$16, on track, and No. 2 at \$12 to \$13.

Baled Straw—\$10 on track, Toronto.

Potatoes—Car lots, in bags, \$1.65, and Delawares at \$1.85. Out-of-store, \$1.90 to \$1.95.

Poultry—Wholesale prices of choice dressed poultry—Chickens, 12 to 15c per lb.; fowl, 9 to 10c; geese, 13 to 15c; ducks, 12 to 14c; turkeys, 20 to 21c. Live poultry, about 2c lower than the above.

##### BUTTER, EGGS, CHEESE.

Butter—Dairy, choice, in wrappers, 29 to 32c; large rolls, 28 to 30c; and inferior, 26 to 28c. Creamery quoted at 36 to 37c for rolls, 34 to 35c for solids, per lb.

Eggs—Americans, 37 to 38c per dozen, and strictly new-laid Canadians, 38 to 40c per dozen, in case lots.

Cheese—Large, 16 1/2c, and twins at 16 3/4c per lb.

##### HOG PRODUCTS.

Cured meats—Bacon, long clear, 11 1/2 to 11 3/4c per lb., in case lots. Pork—Short cut, \$22.50; do., mess, \$19.50 to \$20. Hams—Medium to light, 16 to 16 1/2c; heavy, 14 to 14 1/2c; rolls, 10 3/4 to 11c; breakfast bacon, 16 to 17c; backs, 19 to 20c.

Lard—Pierces, 12c; tubs, 12 1/4c; palls, 12 1/2c.

##### MONTREAL MARKETS.

Montreal, Feb. 27.—Oats—Canadian West-ern, No. 2, 53 1/2 to 54c; do., No. 3, 51 1/2 to 52c; extra No. 1 feed, 52 1/2 to 53c; No. 2 local white, 51 to 51 1/2c; No. 3 do., 50 to

50 1/2c; No. 4 do., 49 to 49 1/2c. Barley—Maltling, \$1.04 to \$1.05. Buckwheat—Malt-ling, \$1.04 to \$1.05. Buckwheat—No. 2, 72 to 73c. Flour—Manitoba Spring wheat patents, firsts, \$5.60; do., seconds, \$5.10; strong bakers', \$4.90; Winter patents, choice, \$5.10 to \$5.35; straight rollers, \$4.65 to \$4.75; do., bags, \$2.15 to \$2.25. Rolled oats, barrels, \$5.05; bags, 90 lbs., \$2.40. Bran—\$24; shorts, \$26; middlings, \$28; mouille, \$28 to \$34. Hay—No. 2, per ton, car lots, \$15 to \$15.50. Cheese—Finest Westerns, 15 1/4 to 15 1/2c; finest Easterns, 14 1/2 to 15c. Butter—Choice creamery, 33 to 34c; seconds, 32 to 32 1/2c. Eggs—Fresh, 38 to 40c. Potatoes—Per bag, car lots, \$1.70 to \$1.80.

##### UNITED STATES MARKETS.

Minneapolis, Feb. 27.—Wheat—May, \$1.04 1/2; July, \$1.05 1/2 to \$1.05 3/4; No. 1 hard, \$1.05; No. 1 Northern, \$1.04 1/2; No. 2 Northern, \$1.02 to \$1.02 1/2; No. 3 wheat, \$1.00 to \$1.00 1/2. No. 3 yellow corn, 62 to 63c. No. 3 white oats, 49 to 49 1/2c. No. 2 rye, 67 1/2c. Bran, \$25 to \$25.50. Flour—First patents, \$4.90 to \$5.20; do., second patents, \$4.55 to \$4.80; first clears, \$3.20 to \$3.65; second clears, \$2.20 to \$2.50.

##### LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

Montreal, Feb. 27.—Butchers' cattle, choice, \$7.00 to \$7.25; do., cattle, medium, \$5.50 to \$6.75; do., cattle common, \$3.50 to \$5; canners, \$2.75 to \$3.25; butchers' cattle, choice cows, \$5.50 to \$5.75; do., cattle, medium, \$3.75 to \$4.75; do., cattle, bulls, \$3.50 to \$6.00; milkers, choice, each, \$75 to \$80; milkers, com. and medium, each, \$50 to \$65; springers, \$30 to \$45. Sheep, ewes, \$4.50 to \$4.75; bucks and culls, \$3.75 to \$4.25; lambs, \$4.50 to \$7. Hogs, f.o.b., \$7.35 to \$7.50. Calves, \$2.50 to \$3.00. Toronto, Feb. 27.—A few bunches of choice butcher cattle sold from \$5.30 to \$6.65, but the general run of good cattle ranged from \$5.85 to \$6. Two prime export cattle bought for feeding fetched \$6.85. They weighed 2,510 pounds each. There was a fairly active enquiry for stockers of good quality at \$4.50 to \$5.25. Cows were easy at \$4 to \$5, and bulls were steady at \$3 to \$5.50. Common cattle were dull at \$2.50 to \$4. Canners fetched \$1.50 to \$2.50. Lambs were firmer at \$7.50 to \$8 for choice ones. Sheep and hogs were unchanged in prices, although hogs were firmer.

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Chairman Englehart Says Line Will Start From Earleton.

A despatch from Cobalt says: Chairman Englehart of the T. & N. O. Commission made the announcement here at noon on Wednesday that the Elk Lake branch of the railway would start from Earleton, 25 miles north of here and ten miles south of Englehart. The new line will be 30 miles in length, and run through ninety per cent. farming country. It was at first thought the branch line would go in from Charlton, but the excellent farming country that will be opened up by the new route was taken into consideration.

## TWENTY KILLED IN CYCLONE.

Houses and Live Stock Destroyed in Louisiana.

A despatch from New Orleans says: Twenty persons were killed and at least three score injured, many of them seriously, in a cyclonic storm which swept through a strip of northern Louisiana and Mississippi Tuesday evening. Dozens of small houses were blown down and many cattle killed.







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#### NATIVE CUSTOMS.

Curious Superstitions Among Black Men In Rhodesia.

An interesting account of Northeast Rhodesia and its native tribes has been given to a representative of The London Chronicle, by Dr. Dunbar-Brunton, who has recently returned to England after spending some years in that country as a district medical officer. "There are some very strange," said Dr. Dunbar-Brunton, "in the encounter of wild beasts in a country which has the charm and beauty of some parts of England or Scotland. For Northeast Rhodesia has not the savage character of tropical scenery. In the centre of the country there is a high plateau rising to 6,000 feet, richly wooded from top to bottom, and extending for 400 by 300 miles. With a temperate climate, it has the sylvan beauty of the Tyrol, and the trees rise up clean and free from jungle or tropical undergrowth. Little rivers, like the trout streams of Scotland, run through the valleys, and in the valleys and plains there are districts like the park lands of England. It is curiously disconcerting, therefore, to see the ugly old head of a hippopotamus poking through the rushes on the bank of a river, or an alligator lying asleep there, or herds of wild buck through a vista of trees like one may see the fallow deer in Bushey Park. It is still more curious to run up against lions, as I came suddenly upon two of them one day—crouching in the bush. One is inclined to ask 'where are the keepers?' and to write a letter to the papers about it!"

One of Dr. Dunbar-Brunton's most thrilling adventures was with a bull elephant. With a friend, who went off on another track, he had been following up the tracks of elephants all day without success, and just before sundown received word from his comrade that he was going back. Dr. Dunbar-Brunton decided to return also, but before starting on the homeward track, sat down and lighted a pipe. He was smoking quietly when he heard the noise of his friend's beaters, and a native who carried his gun said "Look!" A great bull elephant was close upon them. Very quietly the doctor laid down his pipe and took his gun, while the natives scrambled up the trees in terror. The doctor took a quick aim, but just missed the elephant's brain-pan. It threw up its trunk, opened its mouth, put its tusks forward, and charged. A second shot struck it in the shoulder, but did not check its onrush. The doctor shot again, when it was within a few paces, and writhing past him, it fell with legs outstretched, and a bullet in its heart. The doctor turned to his pipe. It was still alight, and he finished his smoke while the natives danced round the body of the elephant.

In spite of the fate which so often befalls their comrades, the natives do not look with favor on lion-hunting. Dr. Dunbar-Brunton, when following a man-eating lion, has found himself deliberately thwarted by the natives, who will not act as beaters because they wish to save the lion's life. That is due to their firm belief that the spirits of their dead chiefs take the form of lions, and that when a man-eater is killed the spirits are divided among other lions with the same thirst for human blood. They hold it better, therefore, to let one lion eat its fill rather than increase the danger by killing it. It is no wonder that they hold to the superstition about the spirits of their dead chiefs inhabiting the bodies of man-eating lions, for the ferocity of their chiefs has been beyond words to describe. The late Mwamba was a blood-thirsty monster. Determined to show his power over his tribe, and to punish them for the immorality of which they are so often guilty, he puts them to torture and death for the least offence. Fifty men and women were spiked on stakes, and as they did not die quickly were roasted in their last agonies by bonfires lighted close to them. For flirting and light behaviour woman had their noses, ears, and lips cut off, and Dr. Dunbar-Brunton has seen and heard of these poor creatures. For many of these poor creatures, for speaking against a chief the punishment was mutilation of the tongue and ears. For stealing, one hand was chopped off for the first offence and the other hand at a second offence. This frightful penalty code was in full operation as late as ten years ago. The present Mwamba is a man of somewhat milder disposition.

#### Malice and Superstition.

In the middle ages malice and superstition found expression in the formation of wax images of hated persons, into the bodies of which long pins were stuck. It was confidently believed that in this way deadly injury would be done to the person represented. This belief and practice continued down to the seventeenth century. The superstition indeed still holds its place in the Highlands of Scotland, where, says a well-informed writer, "within the last few years a clay model of an enemy was found in a stream, having been placed there in the belief that as the clay washed away so would the health of the hated one decline."

#### Left Jewels in a Cab.

Lord Ilchester, who has decided to sell his estate near Bruton, had some anxious hours when he left behind him in a hansom a quantity of beautiful jewels which he was about to present to his fiancée, Lady Helen Stewart.

The driver, being honest, took the valuables to Scotland Yard, and there next day they were restored to the owner. Of all Lady Ilchester's fine gems the most precious was a necklace of pearls which belonged to the Empress Eugenie.

#### He Was Their Man.

A pleasant little story is told of Dr. Boyd Carpenter for the days before he was Bishop of Ripon. To his canon one day a young man and maiden, both bashful and on a very obvious errand.

"Are you Mr. Carpenter?" began the young lady.

"Yes," was the reassuring reply; "Carpenter—and joiner." — London Tit-Bits.

#### FOUND SINGLE TAX.

Late Thos. Fyfe Was Co-Discoverer With George.

The fact that the late Thomas Fyfe, the Montreal banker, was co-discoverer of the single tax theory with Henry George is recalled by a writer in Toronto Saturday Night. Describing a request for an interview on financial matters the reporter says:

"My reception was neither cold nor hot. I explained my business, and Mr. Fyfe gave me little enough satisfaction. While explaining why he did not do what I asked him, he expressed in round terms his opinion of certain financial matters. This was better 'stuff' even than I had gone to get, and I asked him to allow me to quote him. Neither would he permit me to quote him. But by that time we were seated and had begun swapping ideas. I recollect particularly that questions concerning political economy came up, and I soon found that I had run into a past-master. He was a free trader from the grass roots, and what he thought about the policy of protection would have done you good to hear. He soon saw that I was particularly interested, and as no one in particular came in to interrupt, I think the 'interview' lasted fully two hours."

One thing which I have often recalled since was his statement concerning Henry George, author of "Progress and Poverty" and other works on political economy. The conversation reached the point where the vast accumulations of capital were being compared with the poverty of the masses. He blamed this partly upon the tariff laws and partly upon the legislation permitting the value of natural opportunities and resources to be alienated, through sale or long lease at inadequate prices, from the people to the private interests.

I wanted to ask him what he proposed to do about it, but was afraid to chip in lest I break the spell—in other words, lest he remember I represented the press. However, I presently put the question.

"Why," said he, "all you have to do is to put a tax of such a character on the natural resources of the land that it will off-set the advantages which the private owners are now reaping over and above that which they are creating."

I remarked that that was similar to a proposal known as single tax. Did you ever examine that proposal?" asked I.

"Did I ever examine it?" he exclaimed, all animation—if it was possible for him to be animated. "Did I ever examine it? Why, I discovered it."

It was naturally a little astonished, and perhaps showed my feeling. Mr. Fyfe smiled a rather inscrutable smile which it seems to me must have been characteristic of him.

"I suppose that sounds strange to you," said he, "but it is nevertheless true. I don't want to take any honor from Henry George, but in justice to myself, I make the claim that I was co-discoverer of the single tax, with him."

Later on he told me, when and how and under what circumstances the economic idea or philosophy had developed in his brain which was at the same time developing in the brain of George a thousand miles away. Unfortunately for my story, as well as for Mr. Fyfe's health, he was taken ill before he reached Little Metis or shortly after, and from this illness he never fully recovered. My recollection is, however, that it was while he was general manager of the Bank of Nova Scotia that he evolved, on his own behalf, the conclusions set forth in "Progress and Poverty" shortly after by a man who, for years, had been thinking along the same lines.

Mr. Fyfe was born near Edinburgh, in 1845, and was comparatively young at the time of his death, being but sixty-six years of age. After serving in the Bank of Scotland, and later in the Birmingham City Bank, he made an arrangement with the Bank of British North America, and came to Montreal in its employ. He was largely instrumental in framing the Bank Act of Hon. George E. Foster, which has been the basis of Canadian banking legislation, as well as of that of other countries. Subsequently he investigated conditions in the civil service, for the Laurier Government, and his report was what might have been expected from him—plunged and outspoken. It probably led to the permanent commission to administer the civil service.

#### A Different Species.

The young hopeful of a well-known Canadian jurist is lately becoming very much interested in the study of butterflies and moths. Just before Christmas his father had given him a dollar as a reward for some service and the boy promptly flew off to a bookseller's where he had observed a certain work on sale relating to his favorite study.

He brought the book home in high glee, and speedily became lost in perusing its contents. His father was quite delighted to notice the serious way his young son and heir was applying himself, and asked the boy how he was getting on with his new book.

"Not very well, father. I've read three chapters and can't find a blessing thing about moths. It is a waste of time."

"Bring the book to me and let me see it," said his father kindly.

On looking at the cover of the book, the judge was extremely amused to read the following: "Help to Young (Moths) Mothers."

#### A Veteran Civil Servant.

Montreal lost a veteran civil servant when the new year bells were ringing recently, in the person of Mr. William D. Robb, who resigned the position of city treasurer.

Mr. Robb enjoys the unique distinction of having held office under twenty-one mayors. Advanced age alone has compelled his retirement. Mr. Robb, who is a Scotsman, celebrated his 74th birthday on the 1st of the month. He has a long list of friends, and his custom of resting his figure-haunted brain by writing poetry. Much verse from the ex-treasurer's pen has appeared in various periodicals.

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Sir Walter Scott's Brother Lies in Little's Graveyard.

Every spot in Old Quebec is historical, and if there is not a sermon in every stone there are at least stories associated with most of them—stories that recall men and events connected with the making of Canada and the Empire.

At every turn one comes upon remembrances of the past that made the present.

Some of these remembrances dominate the place—battlefields where deeds of valor were done and the current of the history of this continent turned into new channels; forts and battlements that have withstood sieges; buildings associated with deliberations and enactments that are the landmarks of our constitutional history. Besides these landmarks there are less conspicuous remembrances of the past to be met with almost every turn, and which supply the more subdued tints of the great historical picture in which the fort-crowned heights of Cape Diamond are the central object.

Here is a little churchyard in the very heart of the city which illustrates the truth of this statement.

Perhaps ten minutes' walk from the Terrace, up St. John street, which is carried through the outer wall of the ancient fortifications, stands a stone church in Gothic style so generally adopted by the Church of England. One wall of the building stands close to the street, and the notice board at the main entrance announces that it is St. Matthew's Church.

Close to the gateway and not more than a couple of feet from the wall separating the churchyard from the street is a weather-stained slab of gray limestone somewhat less than four feet in height, and shaped at the top into a Gothic arch. The stone stands firm and erect, and although its inscription is well-worn, it can still with a little care be wholly read. It is in these words:

"Sacred to the memory of Thomas Scott, Esquire, late Paymaster of the 70th Regiment, who departed this life Feb. 4, 1825."

"And to his daughter, Barbara Scott, who died on the 5th of Oct., 1821, in the 8th year of her age."

In the graves thus simply marked repose the remains of the brother and the niece of Sir Walter Scott, "the Wizard of the North," and one of the great literary geniuses of the eighteenth century.

In 1828 Sir Walter Scott wrote a brief memoir of his early life, bringing it down to the year 1792, when he and his friend, William Clark, were admitted to the practice of law in their native Scotland. In that brief and partial autobiography Sir Walter tells of his family. "My father and mother," says he, "had a very numerous family, no fewer, I believe than twelve children, though only five survived very early youth. My eldest brother Robert was bred in the King's service and was in the most of Rodney's battles." Later he entered the service of the East India Company, and died a victim of the climate.

#### Conserving the Forests.

The progress of the conservation policy of Canada, as applied to forest resources, depends more upon the Forestry Branch of the Department of the Interior than upon any other organization. Upon the technical knowledge and executive ability of the officers of the Forestry Branch depends the future of the forest on 16,000,000 acres of Dominion forest reserves, as well as upon the large area of non-agricultural forest land in Western Canada, which for the good of the country may yet be set aside as permanent forest reserves. In addition to looking after Dominion lands the Forestry Branch is now being asked by Eastern land owners to furnish advice as to the best means of securing the earliest possible and profitable crop of timber on waste land or wood lots. In order that the new Rocky Mountain forest reserves may be administered according to the latest scientific knowledge and the best experience of the Forestry Branch is now making detailed studies of the habits of the merchantable species of trees on the eastern slope of the Rockies in Alberta and has sent one of the men in charge of the work to study the systems of forest management practiced during the past few years by the Forest Service in the national forests of Montana.

#### Regina to Make Gas.

Regina wants gas. For some time the Saskatchewan city has been considering the advisability of erecting a municipal gas plant. Not long ago the council made a recommendation for public works to be undertaken in 1912. Among the proposals was a gas plant to be ready by August 15, and to cost \$200,000.

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These rates to be confined to the ordinary business of the commercial house, and for business they will be held to include Auctioneering, Real Estate, and other similar notices. Advertisements of individual members of the profession, or of firms, for sale, etc.

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